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write

Irrational thinking

Dear Editor:

Mr. Hadley's assertion in Gay community image (June 1) that gays are responsible for the creation of homophobia because they are outspoken, openly proclaim their sexuality, and engage in conduct at variance with the norms dictated by the general public is disturbing. Applying Mr. Hadley's reasoning to blacks, one must conclude that they too are responsible for creating the prejudice directed at them because they have spoken out against injustice and their skin color is offensive to the white community. That he attempts to minimize or excuse homophobia stating, "Sure there's prejudice, but there's prejudice against women, Jews, the handicapped and on and on" - is reprehensible. It is confused, irrational

thinking by individuals like Mr.

Hadley that promotes continued

homophobia. In response to his premise that "gays and straights coexist incredibly well" in Europe because Europeans "realize and accept that 'one's sexual orientation is relatively unimportant," kudos to enlightened Europeans. Their reality is not ours, however. Although populated by diverse groups of people, ours is a nation in which a macho, punitive, kick-ass attitude promotes 'intolerance and hostility towards individuals and groups who are different. 'You have to be like us before we can accept you" is the governing credo. Young men are obliged to prove their manhood and worth to society by beating up and murdering

coexistence. Mr. Hadley's thoughts appear to be consistent with the governing credo: Gay people's conduct must conform to norms established by heterosexuals before they can be accepted by them. He would prefer gays forgo their parades and joyous celebrations so as not to offend the sensibilities of the general, heterosexual public anymore. He would, no doubt, have gays return to the closet. NO! NO! NO! Gays must not empower others by seeking their approval. They must empower themselves by establishing the terms upon which they will be met and meet others.

'queers" and "others." This,

certainly, is not conducive to

In closing, Mr. Hadley might consider availing himself of the educational resources of academia. The gay and lesbian literature section of most libraries and bookstores would be an excellent place for him to start.

W. Thomas Weaver

Drag queens: Part of life

Dear Editor:

I am writing this letter in response to recent letters denigrating drag queens and the "court" system. Scott R. Hadley's letter in the June 1

issue of MGW being the most recent. Hadley's opinion that press coverage of "drag shows" and "drag elections" (sic) is "sickening," involvement in same is "a tragic waste of life," and that nothing has hurt the image of "gay people" (was that a misogynist omission of lesbians?) more than drag queens, is in itself, representative of the intolerant, oppressive, prejudiced, and narrow world-view of our sexist and racist culture.

Excuse me, Scott, but that is what sickens me the most.

I also find it ludicrous that you equate visibility with increased prejudice. Does that mean everything was hunkydory 40 years ago?

I don't think so. I believe "out of sight, out of mind" equals mindlessness. And you can't convince me that European societies are more tolerant - check out Great Britain's homophobic laws, for example.

In my opinion, drag shows are a rich part of the cultural tapestry contributed by gay and lesbian human beings, and drag queens are no less equal than any other human being. Additionally, the monies raised through their shows is an important source of funding for numerous charities, none of which (that I know of) has ever refused the contributions.

The "court" system has been, and continues to be, an important social network in addition to fulfilling its primary purpose as. a fundraising organization. (CGNIE, Inc., the local nonprofit corporation which oversees the annually elected "court" is in its 18th year.)

In America we have the right to hate whoever we want, we almost have the right to love whoever we want. It seems like people have a harder time choosing love. That is sad.

I do not hate you, I just disagree with your stated opinions. We are each one part of the human truth - currently there are about six billion parts. Ah, variety - the spice of life. (By the way, I'm not a drag queen.)

May I suggested you take your own words ("we're human beings just like you; we just happen to be gay") and try this on for size: "We're human beings just like you; we just happen to be drag queens" (or fill in the blank).

Billie Jean Jones

Keep hope burning

Dear Editor:

Please allow me this opportunity to thank the many folks who expressed their concern when I was unable to co-host the 8th International AIDS Candlelight Memorial and Mobilization. I had wanted to be a physical part of the event, but unfortunately my health prevented it.

Thanks for your good wishes, but don't worry, I am doing fine. I was simply admitted to the hospital because my physician was worried about dehydration and to run tests. As often with HIV, it was difficult to pinpoint what precisely went wrong. It could have been a virus, diet, or medication related. A silver lining to this episode is that it may help me qualify for different treatments.

I would like to acknowledge the many people who gave an hour to publicly remember those who have died from AIDS, those who are fighting HIV now and those who love them. Thank you to those who spoke and special thanks to my Co-Chair Donna Yutzy and SAF's Men's Outreach Coordinator, Jerry Love, who really came through in a pinch. I hope it was as meaningful for all the participants as we had intended it to

Keep Hope Burning!

Joe Chase Health Educator Sacramento AIDS Foundation

Free speech?

Dear Editor:

Is David Woodel, the darling little Anthony Comstock wanna-be from Orangevale, really in favor of free speech, as he would like us to believe? Or is there a darker motive behind his group, the American Family Association?

The answer can be found in the way Woodel and his gang of malcontents react to newspapers that print critical letters of their activities, or that print stories that don't meet with their approval. It seems that they can't handle criticism, and they react to it with intolerance.

On his May 31st radio show, Woodel said that whenever a newspaper "gets out of line," the AFA floods the paper with angry letters and phone calls and one-month cancellations. A month later, he says, the paper calls them up and tries to get them to re-subscribe by offering them three months for free.

Woodel boasted that this tactic to control the content of newspapers was used last year against the Union before it veered off into the Twilight Zone. "We got 'em a thousand cancellations in a week" when the Union allegedly "ran homosexual love story for Valentine's Day. We also got about 500 cancellations over a weekend for the Bee when they were supporting the homosexuals in an article also," Woodel claimed.

To the casual observer, this, coupled with the woodel gang's opposition to Mayor Rudin for being a pacifist, and their censorship boycott tactics against convenience stores that sell Playboy, advertisers who buy time on Saturday Night Live, and video stores that rent The Last Temptation of Christ, reveals an ugly truth about the real agenda of Woodel and his AFA, and it has absolutely nothing to do with supporting freedom of speech. Sincerely yours,

Allen Turner

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Top Wilson aide dies

byM.R. Richards OF MGW STAFF

tor and chief press spokesman died sumer Affairs said, "Otto Bos was in San Diego recently after an always supportive and friendly to apparent heart attack while play- us. His wisdom, political strategy ing soccer. A stunned Wilson left and tactics were invaluable to us. a fundraiser for the Stanford Chil- Here was a key guy who was always dren's Home being given by his available to us on our issues. He death will change that stance," San Diego.

"I have lost one of the dearest

in the Log Cabin Club in San Fran-Otto Bos, 47, Governor Pete cisco and a recent Wilson appoint-Wilson's communications direc- ment to the Department of Conwife Gayle immediately to fly to was the Governor's eyes and ears in many ways," Keller said.

only express my deepest sympa-Marty Keller, long time leader thy to Florence, his wife, and to their three children," she said.

"I know what a devastating blow this is to Governor Wilson, they worked as a team - it's a personal loss as well as a political one. Otto was articulate and was open and considerate of our viewpoints on any of our issues. I don't think his McBride said. "Otto was a spokesperson for Governor Wilson - he "We (the lesbian and gay com- was a team player and he reflected friends I have ever known," Wilson munity) won't be adversely afthe best qualities of the entire team

editorial

What does Gay Pride mean?

The answer is not something so simple that it can be found in a textbook. To each and every gay and lesbian person, gay pride holds special meaning, special triumphs and heart wrenching tribulations. History is flooded with documented persecutions of not only gays and lesbians, but of all the 'communities' that are not cloned from the straight white male patriarchy. The pink triangle is but one symbolization of the historic injustices placed upon the sisters and brothers of the gay and lesbian community.

To many, gay pride symbolizes the perseverance through and the victories over these persecutions; others see gay pride as a time of regeneration, a new birth, a time for people to acknowledge who they REALLY are. As a rule of nature, our world is in a constant metamorphosis, from the physical structures to the people who inhabit the infinite space. Nature itself creates change, but so do people - PEOPLE LIKE YOU.

The enlightenment that you create when you peel away the masks DOES make a difference. Coming out and educating those who repel from us, whether it be friends, family or the lady at the check-out stand, can help to remove the fears, the anxieties, the continued persecutions.

Where would our world, our country, our community be if it hadn't been for the likes of Susan B. Anthony, Harvey Milk or Stan Hadden? They, and many others from yesterday and today, have taken a stand to create change and build a better world in which to live. If change is inevitable, which it is, then let's ALL become a catalyst. Let's create the change today - NOT TOMOR-ROW. Whether it be supporting AB-101, volunteering at the local gay newspaper or community center or even taking that big first step in coming out, a difference will be made.

No one says that it will be easy, but when all is said and done-

"... he introduced us to many different people he gave us many ways to the Governor ..."

tremists and he was particularly great loss," Keller said. careful to include gay and lesbian issues among his concerns.

mitments on lesbian and gay is- friend to our community. I can

is quoted as saying, "Otto Bos was fected because the gift Otto gave - I don't expect the overall tone of like a younger brother to me, a us was he introduced us to many superb human being and the best different people - he gave us many at what he did that I have ever ways to the Governor that two or lands where his parents hid Jews three years ago we didn't have -Bos was a key insider and a he was a gatekeeper - and he gave trusted strategist for Wilson through us the keys. He had a great sense both of his senatorial campaigns of humor and a big heart and an and his campaign for Governor, eye on the long view of things. He nam then returned to school and Bos was known for his personal was invariably right in his advice graduated from San Francisco State disdain of right wing party ex- and observations - his death is a

rector of the Lobby for Individual accounts he was an aggressive, When news of Bos' death reached Freedom and Equality (LIFE) said, the Capitol questions arose as to "I was shocked and saddened to whether Wilson strategies or com- hear about Otto's death. He was a and made him his press secretary. ▼ ISN'TITREALLY WORTHIT! ▼

the team to change."

Bos was a native of the Netherfrom the Nazis in their attic during World War II. He was a teenager when he came to this country. He served in a MASH unit in Vietwith a degree in journalism. He worked for the San Diego Union Laurie McBride, Executive Di- covering city hall where by all probing journalist until then-Mayor Wilson tapped him 13 years ago

Write

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Kudos

Dear Editor:

...I'd like to compliment the staff of MGW for the fine quality paper they produce. Keep up the good work!

Thank you, Jeff Dwellen

Appalled in bars

Dear Editor:

I have recently experienced separate incidents of homophobia which both frightened and appalled me. Both examples occurred in local lesbian/gay establishments that profess to have open door policies to all persons, regardless of their color or their gender.

The first occurred in a predominately female bar: a male African-American was blamed for a trivial incident that he had obviously not caused. One of the managers overreacted and it was my impression that he was singled out because he was male and/or African-American.

The second incident occurred in a predominantly male bar: an older man was attempting to intimidate several other women

patrons when he approached me and asked rudely if I knew where the "dyke bars" were. At first, I attempted to be reasonable, introduced myself, and asked if we could "start over again." He introduced himself, then spewed forth his hateful opinions that women were not welcome in that establishment, making several obscene references to my female anatomy, and concluded by insisting that we should all leave and go to the "dyke bars." The bartender was a witness to his bullying and did nothing to intervene.

Granted, in frustration and outrage, I did stoop to his level when I called him "evil" and threw a beer in his face before leaving, (and I apologize to those present for my response.) But in the midst of all the togetherness associated with Freedom Fairs and Gay Pride parades scheduled for this month, we cannot ignore the increasing incidents of selfhatred disguised as separatism. We cannot continue to be silent when we experience homophobia in our own community. Gay bashing by heterosexuals will never stop as long as we continue to bash each other.

> Sincerely, Suzanne M. Jones

Warford Award goes to Louis A. Camera

byM.R. Richards OF MGW STAFF

The recipient of Lambda Center's first Tim Warford Commu-Camera, California State University Director of Student Activities and community activist. The award will be presented to Camera during the events at the Lambda Fair which takes place Saturday, June

According to selection committee Chair, Sharon McDonell, "We wanted this first award to go to someone who met some of the criteria that Tim himself felt were important. First that it be given to someone who works for the community in a volunteer rather than professional capacity. Then we felt it was important that for this first time it is awarded to someone who, most like Tim, has affected both the academic and grassroots communities."

Lou Camera had a long journey from his Italian roots in New Rochelle, N.Y. to his leadership in the gay and lesbian community my 30s and my professional career in counselling and business and educational administration before I came out and started being active." Camera said. Although he recalls that even in the third grade he knew that somehow he was different he also knew his survival depended on his silence. Through his studies at State University of New York and his Masters program at Bowling Green State University in Ohio he kept

gay community - but I got a very I was advising and fellow workers distorted view."

Carroll College in Wisconsin, a small Presbyterian school where portunities here for people with nity Service Award will be Lou he says his life was wrapped up in time to give - and I soon had lots of his job. "But then I met someone opportunities with Pillars, who gave me a positive idea of gay life- he showed me there was more to being gay than just casual sex - I met long - term couples, professional people who were and Gay Speakers Bureau (he different than the books and pa-



Photo by Susie Bulger Lou Camera

of Sacramento. "I was well into pers portrayed. I finally learned that when I moved to Sacrasaying, 'I will never change prothe effort."

Camera recalls that he got to Sacramento just when the Lambda Center was opening. He played a community - I used to come to fronted this business of being open," that have been destroyed by that California and go to other places he says, "going to meetings in the around the country to explore the Student Union where fraternities

were observing...But we're fortu-Camera then went to work at nate that Sacramento is such an open community. There are op-R.C.D.C., CAPPAC, the First AIDS Walk and writing the play reviews for MGW." He soon added the Town Council, the Lesbian serves as a trainer for new members) and is currently serving as Co-Chair of the River City Demo-

Lou says he's found out one thing about volunteer work, "you get a lot more done being 'out' than you do 'in.' You have a real opportunity here to make change. We have a Mayor who is willing to stand with us on issues because they're right.

"This honor is a product of the climate Tim Warford helped to create. At one time Tim had to virtually sue the University to have gay students recognized. It's like ROTC decision by (University) President Gerth - He really undercut us by virtually saying it's OK to discriminate against us as long mento. I made some promises to as someone else benefits. He went myself - I wrote myself a letter against the decision of the Academic Senate to ban ROTC from nouns again, I will be proud of the campus. I felt my job was to who I am.' I didn't always adhere make sure he had information - I to that but I was out there making made sure he had documents from Congress and the Department of Defense. I disagreed with his decision but he made it anyway but that's not the end of it -we supportive role with the Gay and have to keep giving him informa-Lesbian Alliance in November of tion and keep him informed and his silence. "I had a real misunder- 1987 along with Marty Rogers help him to rebuild the bridges to standing of the gay and lesbian working with students. "I con- the gay and lesbian community

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Corrections

- Lazlo J. Nemeth passed away April 24, 1991 instead of May 1, 1991 as reported in the June 1 issue of MGW.▼
- Clarifications to the greeting card article that ran in the June 1 issue of MGW.
- Joanne Loulan actually told a local audience several years ago "Femmes can do everything, they just choose not to!" The card "spring" is among the First Blush Series, photograph by Pamela Coffey.
- Another important person that helped with the card venture

was Mary Weaver.

Santa Clara County pride posters

by Keith Clark OF MGW STAFF

SAN JOSE - Gay rights activists here organizing this year's annual Gay and Lesbian Pride Celebration scheduled for June 8 and 9 at the Santa Clara County Fairgrounds were stunned to learn that about a dozen promotional ads for the event had been vandalized after being up for less than a week.

The poster ads, which cost organizers more than \$2,000 to place on the back of 42 regional buses and first went up on May 26, had been badly defaced by Thursday, May 30. Some of the transit signs, reading "Gay Pride Parade and Celebration" with the dates and location, had been partly spray-painted over and others had had the word "gay"

The festival in the heart of the high-tech Silicon Valley, which this

drew 5,000 people last year. This year organizers have added San Jose's first actual parade in addition to the fairground celebration and had placed the transit ads hoping to draw at least 10,000 to 15,000 people for the 40-contingent parade as well. That parade, down Stockton Avenue in a largely lesbian/gay section of the city, was scheduled for Sunday, June 9, at

Celebration committee president Mark Porsche said they were viewing the concerted vandalism "as a hate crime" and had talked with both the district attorney's office and the San Jose Police Department about the incident. In addition, Porsche said they had also filed a formal complaint with transit police over the vandalized posters.

Porsche told MGW the group was

year marks its 16th anniversary, hate crime. "I think it's rather obvious that this is in fact the case,' Porsche said. "When only the word 'gay' is attacked within the sign itself, it seems like there's definitely a systematic pattern to this. And at this time there is no other vandalism going on (on the buses). So it's only these signs, only that

Santa Clara County Transit officials said they were uncertain exactly when or even how the vandalism had taken place since the buses are parked in one of four guarded lots when not in use. Don Harington of Santa Clara County Transit said, "We've never had any transit ad campaign targeted like this before. No one here can even figure out how so many signs on moving buses could be hit. And the lots where they're parked and serviced when not in use is guarded. It's just dealing with the vandalism as a beyond me to figure out."

Salt Lake City has gay pride week

by Dell Richards OF MGW STAFF

BOISE, Idaho - For gays and lesbians, Mormon-dominated Utah is the belly of the best. but Salt Lake City's Pride Week has been going strong for nine years.

This year, lesbian cabaret artist Lynn Lavner and Lesbian Lists author Dell Richards headline.

"We might be 'behind the Zion curtain' but we are pulling it down," said Kevin Hillman, one of the organizers.

Despite the sterotypes of conservative Mormon country, Salt Lake City has a vocal gay community, which boasts a woman's bookstore, gay political action committee, historical society, newspaper and

"Last year, we had a couple thousand people."

This year's pride "week" lasts 11 days, beginning June 14 with a juried art show and ending June 25 with a film festival.

Hillman thinks the art may stir up more trouble than anything else. "Art with more than a forearm showing is considered borderline," said Hillman.

A Saturday night cabaret, Sunday in the park and rodeo also are

But the rodeo is typically gay.

Dressing goats with boxer shorts or briefs, decorating the tail of a steer with a ribbon and managing to mount one sans saddle are just part of the camp activities which top off events.

Hotline established

Come Home" hotline has been established by a coalition of organizations to pressure Minnesota Governor. Ame Carlson to intervene on behalf of Sharon Kowalski. Each call to the 800 number will generate a letter to Governor Carlson, demonstrating the level of national outrage surrounding this case and the recent decision

Judge Campbell's April 24 decision denying Karen Thompson guardianship of Kowalski has spurred outrage from disability and lesbian and gay rights activists. Despite overwhelming testimony by medical professionals that Kowalski's interests would be best served by moving her to St. Cloud to live with Thompson, Campbell awarded guardianship to a "neutral third party," Karen Tomberlin, a friend of Kowalski's family. In response to the court's decision, Thompson's attorney has initiated the appeal process.

The hotline number is 800-325-6000, ID #9860. The charge for each call is \$6.25, a portion of which will go to the Karen Thompson Legal Fund.

Hungarian's political party's heterosexist poster

by Keith Clark OF MGW STAFF

BUDAPEST, Hungary - With the emergence of new, more liberal political ideas behind the once)impervious Iron Curtain, international lesbian and gay activists had hoped that the sometimes rabidly anti)gay government policies could be tempered in many of the Warsaw Pact nations. But if a recently circulated political poster for one of the most liberal new parties to appear in any Eastern Bloc nation is an example, leaders of the embryonic lesbian/gay rights movement has a long way to go in educating Hungarian politicians, although a small door may well be open for them.

the country by the new Federation and the "youthful vitality" of FIof Young Democrats (FIDESZ), depicts two photos, one above the other. The top picture, shows former Soviet Communist Party Secretary Leonid Brezhnev kissing former Hungarian Communist Party boss Janos Kadar, both at the time in their 70s, almost passionately on the lips. Immediately below is a photo of a young man and woman seated in front of a lake, fingers intertwined, and kissing in an obviously romantic setting. Between the two photos is the caption, "Tessek Valasztani" ("Take Your Choice"). FIDESZ party officials denied that the poster and slogan played on anti)gay prejudices and said the intent was to underscore for Hungarians the political choice between the old The poster, designed, published regime, represented by Kadar's sub-

Zoltan Ganyar, an English)speaking FIDESZ party under)secretary in Budapest contacted by the Bay Area Reporter last week by telephone, said, "There is nothing anti-homosexual in the placard. We would not see anything of that nature in it because we do not believe our political leaders were homosexuals when they kissed.

The kissing is nothing more than a warm friendship, a comradeship."

But when asked why, then, the photo below depicts what clearly seems to be a male)female couple kissing romantically, Ganyar paused and said, "I think if we photographed youthful men kissing in such surroundings there would be a question. People would wonder, 'Why and widely distributed throughout servient relationship with Moscow, is FIDESZ telling us boys should

kiss boys?' That would confuse our message, which is kissing for love is better than kissing for politics."

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Without further questioning, however, Ganyar suggested that if homosexuals in Hungary felt the poster campaign was deliberately offensive, FIDESZ would consider dropping it and possibly even apologizing.

"I cannot say if there is a feeling by homosexuals here that the placard is disrespectful in any way," Ganyar said, "but it is possible to find out. There is the Local Center where I could ask leaders, 'Does this placard offend you?' If there is a feeling it offends the homosexuals I do not think FIDESZ would want that, it is not our policy and I think we would apologize if we have harmed people."

The slow changes in the world of lesbian/gay Jews

by Keith Clark OF MGW STAFF

tion on the basis of sexual orientation. The resolution was spearheaded by Rabbi Allen Bennett of San Francisco's Congregation Sha'ar

Speaking of the AJC move, Rabbi Bennett said, "It is only fitting and proper that this organization passed a resolution enabling homosexuals to take their rightful place in society."

But despite the supportive, pro)gay Sha'ar Zahav hosted the 1980 Conference later that year, the mainstream press, the Jewish press, and the gay press in the City ignored it) although one local gay paper managed to carry an item that week about "Beta," the first gorilla in captivity to give birth by artificial insemination instead.

Watch" at the 12th International as lesbians and gay men within the community following the murder here were evident) at least for this 11." Conference hosted Memorial Day

later, it wasn't too surprising to SAN FRANCISCO -Shortly be- hear conference members summafore the City hosted the Fifth Inter-rily dismiss the gay press for its it. national Conference of Gay and short (or nonexistent) shrift of Jewish the confab had gathered here, the what Sharyn Saslafsky, public rela-American Jewish Congress adopted tions chair for the event and others of the gay press."

Not exactly the best way to make friends in the gay press, but another panelist, Ron Winchel, a psychiatrist from New York, said, "As Meyer Kahane said back in the 1960s, I'm not sure our goal should be trying to make friends."

The attitude isn't without justification. Two years ago when the national conference of Dignity, the Catholic lesbian/gay organization, action by the AJC, ironically when convened here, the convention was a media sideshow, teeming with reporters. By contrast, the more than 500 lesbian and gay Jews, gathered here from New Zealand to Hungary and all over North America, was little more than noted by the media.

The invisibility of lesbian/gay Jews, also not surprisingly, played a major part of the subtext of the So at a workshop on "Media Conference here. Largely ignored

tion Sha'ar Zahav, over a decade lesbian/gay press, "our dual iden- suspicious circumstances. Gryorgy

significant steps were taken. any public group. Winchel, for example, gathered the

The recent Iraqi war was heatedly discussed, how the opening up of Eastern Europe affects lesbian and cable Iron Curtain, and the continuing difficulties the growing number of groups in Western Europe face.

David Freedman, coordinator of Conference of Gay and Lesbian Jews in Paris, talked in dark tones of the fears in the French lesbian/gay Jewish

Weekend here again by Congrega- Jewish press and as Jews within the last year of one of its leaders under one corner of the lesbian/gay world. tity tends to give us a double invisi- Kapati of Budapest simply shook bility" as one conference-goer put his head and said "It is not-yet possible to have a formal organiza-The formal theme of the con-tion" when explaining that an inconferences, there was perhaps more ing socially in each other's homes

In Israel, Hadar Namir said Orthonames of people to start a media dox Jews, who play such a commonitoring organization aimed spe- manding role in the nation's policifically at the nation's Jewish press tics, still block much of the politi-- a kind of Jewish GLAAD - to chal- cal progress of the movement there lenge misconceptions about and even though lesbian/gay groups are omissions of lesbian and gay Jews. thriving. In fact, Namir said there International issues also played a are so many groups that they are large role in the conference as well. now cooperatively planning on opening the first lesbian/gay community center in that nation.

Contrasted with these difficult gay Jews behind the once impla- problems, and even with rising antigay and anti-Semitic violence in this country, Congregation Sha'ar Zahav and San Francisco's thriving lesbian/gay Jewish community was intervening decade since the 1980 International Conference was held

In 1980 the sole political heavyweight the conference could feature was Superior Court Judge Stephen Lachs, an appointed official. This year, in addition to ar-Lesbian Jews in 1980, the first time lesbian/gay issues and events. It's clave, however, was "Creating Our formal group of lesbian and gay ranging Friday evening Shabbat World," and like nearly all such Jews in Budapest is already gather, services at the City's splendid Sherith Israel Temple, and a keynote a resolution opposing discrimina- called "the passive anti) Semitism to do than actually got done in a in the Hungarian capital, but that address by Paulette Goodman, napractical sense - even though some they are too fearful to try to form tional president of P-FLAG (Parents and Friends of Lesbians and Gays), the conference also received formal greetings from both Representatives Nancy Pelosi and Barbara Boxer, Mayor Agnos, as well as personal greetings from Acting Mayor Roberta Achtenberg and from the Board of Supervisors represented by Carole Migden) both members of Sha'ar Zahav.

> The can-do attitude of Sha'ar Zahav that's made it one of the most successful congregations in the nation's Jewish lesbian/gay community was summed up by Supe. Migden who said, "Don't we just hope that more of us can file forward as acting mayors and supervinext year's Third European/Israeli able to do a good deal of justified sor's representing this county? This showing off. And the changes in the year we can send two. The next time you came back, we'll have a full panoply for you - maybe 10 of

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Rights legislation still marginal

OF MGW STAFF

explain last week's front page story in a major daily which stated that AB 101, the bill which would prevent discrimination in jobs and housing because of sexual orientation, is virtually assured of pas-

Individual Freedom and Equality (LIFE), the gay and lesbian lobby said, "The story was wrong. The bill is not a shoo-in in the Assemget this through and we need evin order to make it happen."

Committee of moderate Assem- tion and that he and Filante had telephone calls and letters urging reached by calling the main Cen-San Raphael) as significant and a Capitol insiders are at a loss to vote for AB 101. The bill is currently on suspense until some budget issues are resolved and will then come back to Ways and Means for a vote.

Filante replaced Orange County Republican John Lewis who was elected to the State Senate. At a Alan Lofaso of the Lobby for press conference Brown denied there was any connection with AB 101 in the appointment and stated that he took into consideration "seniority and regional balance bly - we need to work very hard to issues" in making the choice. However, in a talk at Sacramento's ery telephone call, every letter, gay and lesbian River City Demoevery signed petition we can get cratic Club later in the week Brown said, "I think AB 101 can pass in Some reports pointed Speaker committee and I think Bill Filante Willie Brown's appointment to the will vote for it." But Brown said members of the Ways and Means Capitol, Sacramento, CA 95814.

blymember William Filante (R- not talked about the issue either before or after the appointment. Filante voted for AB 1 the original gay rights bill which was vetoed by Gov. George Deukmejian in 1984 and, as a physician, has been instrumental in the passage of crucial AIDS legislation. Filante has worked closely with Stan Hadden, an openly-gay Senior Consultant to Senate Pro Tem David Roberti Hadden is credited with engineering virtually every major piece of AIDS legislation which has gone through the legislature. Filante was one of the main speakers at a recent event honoring Hadden. He is a moderate Republican and is considered to be reasonable on gay and lesbian issues.

passage of AB 101.

Members of the Assembly Ways and Means Committee are: Chair, John Vasconcellos, (D-San Jose); William Baker, (R-Walnut Creek); John Burton, (D-San Francisco); Robert Campbell, (D-Richmond); Steve Clute, (D-Riverside); Jim Costa, (D-Fresno); Jerry Eaves, (D-Rialto); Bob Epple, (D-Downey); Gerald-Felando, (R-Torrance); William Filante, (D-San Raphael/Marin); Nolan Frizzelle, (R-Fountain Valley); Tom Hannigan, (D-Fairfield); Bev Hansen, (R-Santa Rosa); Teresa Hughes, (D-Los Angeles); Willard Murray, (D-Paramount); Pat Nolan, (R-Glendale); Jack O'Connell, (D-Santa Barbara); Richard Polanco, (D-Los Angeles); Charles Quackenbush, (R-San Jose); Lucille Roybal-Allard, (D-Los Angeles); Curtis Tucker, Jr. (D-Inglewood); Paul Woodruff, (R-Redlands); Cathy Wright, (R-Simi Valley).

All members may be written to Insiders are advocating that all at: State Assembly, California State Assembly Ways and Means he was only making a presump- Committee should be targeted for Their Capitol offices may be

trex number at the Capitol (916) 322-9900 and asking for the Assemblymember. If AB 101 passes the Assembly Ways and Means Committee it will go to a full vote of the Assembly in late June (it must pass the Assembly by June 28). In early July the bill will go to the Senate Judiciary Committee and in late August to Senate Appropriations where it will face stiff opposition. It will come up for a full vote on the Senate floor in early September and must pass by September 13. October 13 is the deadline for the Governor to sign

Advocates and lobbyists feel that repeated, continuous calls, letters, petitions and cards are vital to the passage of the bill in both houses.

Hate crimes bill on the move

by M.R. Richards OF MGW STAFF

The Hate Crimes Bill, Senate Bill 98, will go before the Assembly Judiciary Committee on June 18. The bill, which passed the Senate with a 33-0 vote on April 25, was authored by Sen. Bill Lockyer, (D-Hayward), will double the penalty for misdemeanor hate to sentences for felony hate crimes and will add an extra year for repeat offenders. It is hoped that the bill will curb the ever-increasing numbers of hate crimes against racial and religious minorities, Arab-Americans and gays and lesbians. According to a staff member, during the Senate hear-

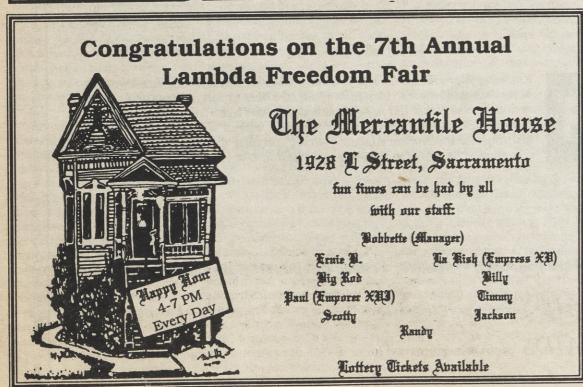
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ings there was only cursory objec- from \$10,000 to \$25,000 and Committee on Moral Concerns. But according to Lockyer aide, Jim Provenza, "there was a great deal of support for the bill and essentially no opposition. If it was the Committee on Moral Concerns that was voicing objection to it - it was only because they were here for a hearing on another bill - but crimes - from six months to one there has been no organized oppoyear in jail. It will add four years sition to the bill. According to Lockyer, statistics on cases in which African-Americans, Asians, Jews, Arab-Americans and gays and lesbians have been attacked or harassed are rapidly escalating throughout the state. More than thirteen incidents of vandalism against Arab-owned businesses in San Francisco alone were reported since the beginning of the Persian Gulf hostilities. SB 98 will also help victims who file civil suits the civil penalties for hate crimes enforcement.

tion to the bill, voiced by the removing the current ceiling of three times the cost of actual damages on punitive damage recovery. Recent civil cases against the White Aryan Resistance and the Ku Klux Klanordered both organizations to pay millions in property and damages to victims effectively dealing serious impacts on their continued operations. According to Provenza after the bill passes Assembly Judiciary it will go to the Committee on Public Safety and then to Assembly Ways and Means Committee. "After that it goes to the Assembly floor for a vote and possibly it will have to go back to the Senate for a vote on any Assembly amendments which might have been tacked on," he said. Provenza was confident of the bill's passage because of the additional protections it offers minority groups and because it has against their attackers by raising no high costs attached for





Activist disillusioned

by M.R. Richards

SACRAMENTO- "It looks like the only time the mainstream lesbians and gays will get off their rear ends to talk to legislators is if it's on a Saturday and they can do it around brunch."

Former Sacramentan and now San Francisco activist Everett Denman was furious at the lack of 'presence' of the lesbian and gay community at the Capitol on Lobby Day, May 21. Denman said he had the idea to get various organizations from the Bay Area, Modesto and Stockton to overlook their political differences for the day and go to Sacramento to lobby legislators on behalf of AB 101 and other lesbian and gay issues. "I called all sorts of organizations, the mainstream ones like Harvey Milk and Alice B. Toklas and many, many others. We should have had a huge contingent up there to counterbalance the vile display the fundamentalists were putting on to intimidate legislators," Denman said.

Denman's contingent, 20 people, members of Queer Nation, ACT-UP, the New Alliance Party and a number of unaffiliated people met at Sacramento's Lambda Community Center. There Ken Topper, a member of Senator David Roberti's staff, briefed the group on the status of AB 101. He discussed problems with the bill, the methodology of the opposition, how to be a citizen lobbyist, and how to approach staff aides (speak personally, be calm, polite, logical).

The group, wearing jackets and ties for men, skirts and dresses for women went off to the Capitol. "We couldn't believe the vile nature of the hatred that Lou Sheldon and his group were putting forth," Denman said. We were equally shocked to find that for five hours inside the Capitol we were the only gay and lesbian group in there lobbying legislators," Denman said.

"I had Daniel Paiz and Mark Duran from Queer Nation and Bruce Cohen from Berkeley and Tanya Tandoc of San Francisco with me - all extremely intelligent, mature people who learned quickly. But we were surrounded and outnumbered in those hallways by people praying and handing out Bible tracts - sometimes they mistook us for 'fundies' and gave us instructions - some others told us we could be saved. But I have this overwhelming sense that the only reason they'll win is because of our lack of effort. Their best weapon was the apathy of the gay and lesbian community - and they knew it. Some of them said, 'There are a lot more of us than there are of you and it will come down to a numbers game.' And you know, they're right - there are more of them interested in this issue than there are of us," Denman said.

Denman said staffers in AB 101 author, Terry Friedman's office were overwhelmed by fundamentalists, "We thanked the staff, they doesn through a slice of hell with the fundies in that office."

The Lobby for Individual Freedom and Equality provided the group with materials and information which they passed out in the legislative offices. Denman claims his group was "dogged by the State Police which also blocked us from the demonstration area - but we ignored it and kept moving. We saw at least 16 legislators and sat down and talked with staff to persuade their bosses to vote for the bill."

Many activists are convinced that the virulent, threatening tactics of right wing extremists and the apathy in the gay and lesbian community could create a dangerous climate for the survival of the bill. Obviously angry and frustrated, Denman said, "Maybe next time I'll plan a 'brunchin' and see if they'll get off their rear-ends and do something."



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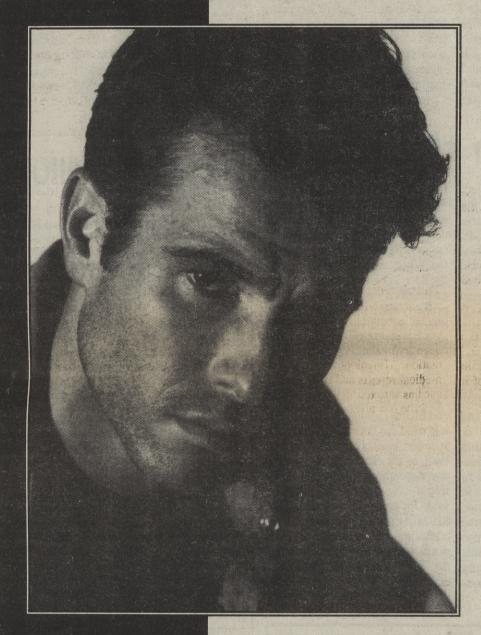
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Upcoming workshops...
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* Highlights of International AIDS Conference - Dr. Neil Flynn and other experts discuss conference presentations; Tuesday, July 16, 7-10pm, UCD Center Auditorium.

Men's Chorus fundraiser...

As a benefit for CARES (the Center for AIDS Research, Education and Services), the Sacramento Men's Chorus will be holding a concert next month - "Remember when I was young" - at 8pm, July 20 at the Sierra II theater. Tickets at the door or call CARES at 443-3299.

Stigmatized realty sales...

While "stigmatized" properties for sale have traditionally been those where murders, suicides, and other crimes have taken place, a new classification has recently emerged: AIDS. Congress has reacted to this privacy concern by creating an amendment to the Fair Housing Act prohibiting agents from discriminating against those with AIDS. If a buyer directly asks if a seller has AIDS, or if a house has ghosts, the agent does not have to respond. "But from a business standpoint," say some Realtors, "I disclose the information. It's called honesty." There's a relationship with the seller, said one Realtor, but the courts have also said that we can't misrepresent anything.

The dream machine...

A new organization in Irvine, California called Dream Machine Foundation says it will "endeavor to fulfill" all dreams of people who can provide medical proof that they've been positive for over a year. They say ers feel that, since the therapy introthey re-unite families and friends; duces no toxic medication or mateprovide medical equipment; and rials to the body, but simply rearassist in providing living quarters, ranges components of the body's transportation, dream vacations, etc. natural immune system, there should Harrison for her continuing contributions to For a "Dream Request Form," call be few side effects, although there its content.

Before we all xerox our medical history and mail it off to strangers, however, we may want to wait and hear more about this. But, who

HIV insurance...

Local two of the San Francisco Hotel Employees and Restaurant Employees Union is the first union in the nation to have a health benefits contract that includes HIV cover-

Immigration policy...

The Bush administration has decided to continue restricting people with HIV from visiting or immigrating into this country. This is despite the advice of the President's own health officials, who say the restrictions - especially those on visitors - are unnecessary. This may severely impact the next international AIDS conference; many will probably formally protest this decision by not attending. Those who pay the price for this nonsharing of information, of course, are the people affected by HIV and those who care about them. Bush says he was influenced by 40,000 letters received from people protesting the government's plan to strike HIV from this country's list of excludable diseases restricting foreigners from entry. Too bad there weren't 40,000 letters written supporting the plan.

Antibody to fight AIDS...

Researchers at UC-San Francisco say they've designed an antibody that can attack HIV cells while sparing healthy, uninfected cells. This new therapy is still in the testtube stage; the next step is to test it on animals. The good news is that, in testtubes, it brings the body's killer T-cells, which rid the body of infections, together with the body's infected T-cells, and then allows the killer T-cells to rip open the replication of the virus. Research-

714-753-8977 Monday thru Friday. are several things that could possibly go wrong. The bad news is that researchers are still unclear whether ridding the body of all infected cells will also eliminate the symptoms of AIDS. It may be that all infected cells throughout the body could not be reached. Additionally, much of the damage done to the immune system may be irreversible and it may not be able to fully recover even after the virus is removed from the body. If this therapy proves itself outside the testtube, getting tested early and often may become even more valuable than it now is.

It's back...

The World Health Organization is beginning official trials of oral alpha interferon, known as Kemron, on 1,200 Africans. African researchers still feel that Kemron, placed in the mouth like a lozenge and absorbed through the membranes of the mouth and tongue, has cleared AIDS symptoms in people. This entire theory has been greeted with skepticism by researchers and experts in this country.

Boycott lifted...

AIDS activists have lifted their boycott of Philip Morris products after the company recently agreed to double its charitable contributions for AIDS research and education. The boycott was begun in response to Philip Morris' heavy contributions to the campaign of Senator Jesse Helms, who adamantly opposes AIDS funding by the government.

Thank you, Elizabeth...

All our best wishes and gratitude to Dr. Elizabeth Harrison who, since the beginning of this column, has been an invaluable source of information. Envelopes stuffed with medical reports and materials that she has xeroxed arrive every week, and she has always been available by telephone for those invaluable infected cell, thus halting further and unmatchable insights that we've come to love her for. Best wishes to you and Anna as you leave Sacramento. And thank you, Elizabeth!

> Thank you to Dr. Bary Siegel for his medical oversight of this column and to Dr. Elizabeth

HIV resources

MCC People Together, Tues., 7:30-9, Metropolitan Community Church social hall, support for people with HIV as well as other diseases, call 454-4762;

Women with HIV support group, Tues., 6:30-8pm, 2nd floor, AIDS Foundation, 1900 K Street, with Donna Robertson;

Mother's Support for moms of people who've died or who have AIDS, Tues., 1:30, 2nd floor, AIDS Foundation, with Frances Wright;

HIV-Positive support group for men (with facilitator), 1st & 3rd Weds., 7:30-9, Sierra II, 2791 24th St. (across Broadway); same group without facilitator, men's informal group, 2nd, 4th & 5th Weds., 7-8:30, at CARES Clinic, 443-3299;

Alternative Treatments Workshop, 2nd Sat., 2pm, Sutter General, 486-2566;

HIV/ARC/AIDS Support, 2nd & 4th Sat., 1pm, Sutter General, 924-15620;

Information on safe sex (Buddy Connection Workshops), call Sacramento AIDS Foundation, M-F, 9-5, 448-2437;

AIDS Response Programs (STOP AIDS, Being Alive, other support and education get-togethers), call Lambda Community Center at 442-0185;

Support for Partners, Family or Friends, Mon., 6-8, 1900 22nd

Anonymous Testing for HIV, Capitol Health Center, Wed. & Thurs., 8-5, call for appt: 366-2922;

Confidential testing and drug treatment, The Effort, call for appt: 446-6467;

Positive Social Support Newsdigest (PSSN): every other month, call Lambda for subscription (442-0185) or pick up a copy at Lambda or local newsstands;

Project Inform hotline (answers to all your questions!): 1-800-334-7422;

HIV+ Latinos support group: every other Mon., 6pm, call AIDS Foundation at 448-2437;

Stop Smoking clinic, Tues., 6:30-8, CARES Clinic, 443-3299. River City AIDS Center, Community Resource for persons with AIDS, Metropolitan Community Church, 454-4752.

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It's a queer world

by Rumple Foreskin OF MGW STAFF

"It's a Queer World" is compiled periodically for your amusement, amazement and edification, and consists of odds and ends (well, maybe more odds than ends) worth passing notice.

The latest edition of the British Medical Journal, in its annual compilation of bizarre, wacky and funny - but thoroughly authenticated -medical reports, says an 82year-old blind man had developed urinary incontinence from a diuretic prescribed by his doctor. While the elderly man was visiting an old ing a dry kidney bean in the urethra placed every 24 hours.

The elderly man, after following the man may well have been French. his friend's advice, found that his

blindness made it impossible for of Delta Upsilon fraternity has been him to remove the bean he had banned from that campus for three inserted, and in trying to remove it years after university officials dishad shoved it further up the urethra. Embarrassed by his predicament, the man avoided seeking help until three days later. At that point his penis had become swollen and painful. Doctors who later removed the bean found that it had to be ex- Times" includes a feature layout tracted in pieces because it had sprouted.

act in public/bestiality (horse)" when police say they caught him in the act of molesting a horse at the stables The police report noted that "The photos of themselves in their typifriend, the friend told him he had suspect ... spoke with a slight accured a similar problem by insert- cent, possibly French." An earlier police report on another incident of his penis to block it and gave him also indicated a man with a similar U.S. Postal Service uniform who a supply of the beans with the in- accent had been reported molesting says that's what he exercises in. structions that they had to be re- another horse. Details of the alleged lewd act definitely suggest

The Rutgers University chapter

covered that during a recent pledge week hazing, the Delta Upsilon brothers had been branding pledges on their bums with the fraternity's Greek letters.

The March issue of "Vegetarian for the easily titillated: its own blockbuster gym-suit issue. A semi-In late February a man was serious send up of "Sports Illuscharged with committing a "lewd trated's" soft-porn annual swimsuit issue, the far more politically correct "Vegetarian Times" asked readers - that's right, ordinary folks who in San Francisco's Golden Gate Park. actually eat broccoli - to send in cal exercise clothes. Featured are real vegetarians in everything from sweatpants to one man wearing a

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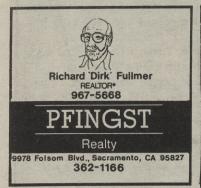
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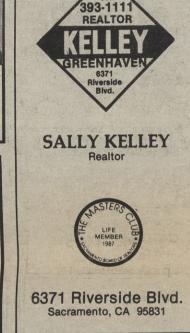
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news clips

by Denise Okamoto MGW NEWSCLIP EDITOR

3,000 lesbians convene to develop national agenda

An estimated 3,000 lesbians gathered in Atlanta for what was billed as their first national conference. This five-day conference, aimed at developing a national agenda for lesbians, included workshops dealing with issues such as health care, housing, racism, elderly, lesbians with children, and violence towards lesbians. Alnext years convention.

San Francisco Chronicle V

Third Annual **Lavender Waves** recovery retreat for lesbians

The Third Annual Lavender Waves Retreat will be held on September 26-29, 1991 at Camp Westwind, 500 miles north of Lincoln City. The agenda for this clean and sober retreat will include workshops, 12-step meetings, support groups, meditation, games, a talent show, a dance and other surprises.

Write or call, Lavender Waves, P.O. Box 1541, Newport, Oregon, 97375; Phone (503) 563-3643 or 563-5827.▼

New magazine for gay/lesbian Mormons

New Direction a bi-monthly magazine for gay/lesbian Mormons will debut in September of 1991. It will cover issues such as the relationship between Mormonism and being gay/lesbian, religious topics that effect gay/lesbian life (not Mormon), and expansions on the gay/lesbian lifestyle. Their goal is to help gays and lesbians with religious interest to feel comfortable with their sexual orientation and their church.

Subscriptions are \$25 per year.

A-440, Los Angeles, CA 90028.

NAMES Project quilt displayed in Japan

During a nine-city tour in Japan, the NAMES Project AIDS Memorial Quilt displayed nearly 200 of its 14,000 panels. In the first three cities alone an estimated 5,000 people attended the showings. Japan has 1,627 reported HIV infected persons. The numbers are small considering Japan's population is about half of the United States. But, due to the ready plans are being made for stigma generated in that country about AIDS, People With AIDS receive very little government or media attention.

For more information call or write: The NAMES Project Foundation, 2362 Market Street, San Francisco, CA 94114; Phone (415) 863-5511;FAX (415) 863-0708.

Gays, lesbians and bisexuals of Hawaii

For the past eight years GALOHI, Gays, Lesbians, and Bisexuals of Hawaii, have met monthly for fun and friendship on the "Big Island". Their \$10 annual subscription fee for their monthly newsletter keeps other gays and lesbians up to date on the events happening on the islands. This year's men's event "Camp Camp-it-up" isscheduled for July 22-28, 1991.

GALOHI welcome you to any and al meetings and events, for more information write: GALOHI, RR2 Box 4500, Pahoa-Kehena Beach, Hawaii 96778. For more info regarding the men's "Camp Camp-it-up" call Craig or Richard at (1) 965-7828 on the Big Island, or Mark Kadota at 668-1870 on Oahu.▼

Gay, unwed can bid for family unity

Gay and lesbian couples, along with unmarried heterosexual couples, can apply for student family housing at the University

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Lesbian and gay studies conference

The fifth annual Lesbian and Gay Studies Conference will be held November 1-3, 1991, on the Rutgers University campus in New Jersey. Papers and panel proposals have been called for, on any topic, and needs to be submitted by June 15, 1991. Videotapes, film screening, performance, and reading are also welcomed. This conference began in 1987 at Yale University and has enjoyed a marked increase in attendance last

Papers and other presentations should run about 20 minutes and should be sent to: Lesbian and Gay studies Conference, CCACC, 8 Bishop Place, New Brunswick, NJ, 08903.

End to military ban sought

Gays and lesbians of southeastern Virginia will march in support of the gay men and women who serve in the military during the Hampton Roads Gay Pride Weekend. They will present a letter to the Norfolk Naval Base urging to end the ban on gays and lesbians in the armed forces. Testimonies from local gay and lesbian veterans about the impact of military discrimination will be heard at the rally.

Gay vet group works on Boston **AIDS Buddy Program**

An estimated 10,000 AIDS cases are reported among U.S. veterans and 50,000 to 60,000 veterans are HIV-positive. The New England Gay/Lesbian/Bisexual Veterans of America group is working with Veterans Affairs Medical Center in Boston creating a buddy program for HIV-positive and AIDS persons. The buddies receive intense training of AIDS issues, substance abuse, recovery, treatment regimens and alternative therapies to help people with AIDS.

For more information on the Boston VA AIDS Buddy Program, contact Ilonka Thomas (617) 232-9500.V



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media watch

by Ben Carlson OF GLAAD/SFBA

AB101

Though Governor Wilson said that he's very likely to sign AB101, the statewide gay rights bill, no major California paper besides the hasn't yet used a journalist from a San Francisco Examiner has covered this news.

Assemblyman Stan Statham has sent Wilson a letter, signed by 28 Republican legislators, to veto this bill. Citing that gay people are not a "ligitimate minority"

Republican, and is not Bill Filante and lesbians, focusing on racial (San Rafael), Chuch Quackenbush issues instead. (Santa Clara), Trish Hunter (San Diego), or Bev Hansen (Sonoma)the four Republicans who did NOT sign the letter- then contact her/ him to protest this attempt to defeat AB101. You can write to her/ him at California State Assembly/ State Capitol Building/ Sacramamento, CA 95814.

KQED

KQED has an impressive sched- Events calendar, published by the uling of gay/lesbian directed programs for June. However, in previous oppurtunities to expand and focus on issues relevant to gays and lesbians, they fell short.

Council bid announced

Boston business man and a

Black, gay Republican, an-

on the Boston City council. If he

hold such an office in a major

business owner, and an active

member in many community

groups, Mason identifies himself

as a "triple minority", hoping to

combine the concerns of African

Americans and gays into one

Abner Mason, a 28 -year-old

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in Northern California (TWNC) nor Deukmejian, but denied any attention to gay rights.

GLAAD has noticed that TWNC gay newspaper, while journalists from other "alternative" papers do reports.

An update of a KQED special program from a 1988 documentary on police brutality entilted Update: Shield for Abuse blatantly If your assemblyperson is a omited police relations with gays

Write to KQED and encourage them to improve their gay/lesbian coverage. Let them also know their June line-up is a positive step in the right direction. KQED-TV/ KTV/KQED, Inc./500 Eighth St./ San Francisco, CA 94103.

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The 1991 California Ethnic California Office of Tourism, includes many popular events that attracts tourist in California. However, the San Francisco Lesbian/Gay Freedom Day Parade and

The April 19 edition of *This Week* Celebration, which is the largest ethnic event in California, is omited. discussing the differences between GLAAD has protested this omis-Governor Wilson and ex-Gover- sion in the past, but has been ignored. It's your turn to help!! Write to the California Office of Tourism/801 K Street. Suite 1600/ Sacramento, CA 95814/ Attn: Flo Snyder, Director.

Project 21

In the March issue of California Journal, Dexter Waugh wrote an article on minority opposition to the new state-approved history and social-science textbooks. In his attempt to encourage racial, cultural and social diversity, he completely left out gay and lesbian influence. Lesbians and gays played a major role in opposing the textbooks due its lack of portrayal of lesbians and gays in shaping world history.

Write to California Journal/1714 Capitol Ave./Sacramento, CA 95814/ tele. 916-444-2840.

Protest defamatory coverage, and notify the Gay and Lesbian Alliance Against Defamation of the San Francisco Bay Area (GLAAD/SFBA) of all defamations. Contact them at 347 Delores St., Suite 312, San Francisco, CA 94110, or call (415) 861-4588. **V**

was just passed in Hawaii, and there are bills pending in California and Illinois.τ

Int'l Gay Conference to be held in Mexico

Guadalajara, Mexico, will be the cite of the 13th International Lesbian and Gay Association Conference. The date is set for June 30-July 6, 1991. The agenda will include international issues for gays and lesbians, cultural programs, influencing policymaking organizations, lesbian visibility and other topics.

For more information on ILGA: Robert Bray at NGLTF, 1734 14th Street, NW, Washington, D.C. 20009, (202) 332-6483.

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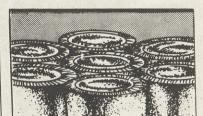
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try, ethnicity, religion, sexual orientation or national origin of the victim". Florida is the 14th state to include sexual orientation under the definition of a hate crime. The Florida law becomes effecnounced his candidacy for a seat tive on October 1, 1991.τ

based on the race, color, ances-

Connecticut protects is elected, he would be the first openly gay, black candidate to gay/lesbian rights

A Connecticut Lesbian and Gay A Harvard College graduate, protection. Similar legislation

Civil Right bill was signed to help ensure security and dignity for gays and lesbians. NOW, National Organization for Women, joined Governor Lowell Weicker at the signing of the bill. This makes Connecticut the fourth state in the nation to provide such

Where to write To let the media know how you feel (favorably or unfavorably) about the

portrayal of the gay lifestyle... KCRA, Channel 3, 3 Television Circle, Sac. CA 95814

KVIE, Channel 6, Box 6, Sac. CA 95833

KXTV, Channel 10, 400 Broadway, Sac. CA 95818

KOVR, Channel 13, 2713 KOVR Drive, West Sac. CA 95605

KRBK, Channel 31, 500 Media Place, Sac. CA 95818

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District lines now subject to change

Tom Hoeber, publisher of The California Journal and a central figure in the last "redistricting" of the Sacramento City Council 10 years ago, will speak on redistricting at the River City Democratic Club's next meeting at 6:30pm, Monday, June 17, at the Sierra 2 Community Center.

Redistricting is the local term for reapportionment, the process by which legislative districts are adjusted to fit population changes. childhood State law requires the City to redraw council districts to create districts of roughly equal population, according to the 1990 census. Several changes are expected to result from redistricting, which is required by state law to be completed by November 1, 1991. District 1, represented by Heather Fargo, has grown considerably since 1981 and is now 15,000 residents too large. District 4, represented by Tom Chinn may be significantly redrawn in the process. Both Fargo's and Chinn's districts include downtown and midtown where a large number of lesbians and gay men live.

and there is speculation that the Are; and the television programs

include midtown and downtown. Show Pane is the lone Republican on the Sacramento City Council.

Hoeber will discuss the impact of redistricting on downtown and midtown and the possibility of a new district emerging that could elect an openly gay person to the city council.

CARES benefit to feature favorites

A special family benefit presentation, When I Was Young, will be performed by the Sacramento Men's Chorus to assit the Center for AIDS Research, Education and Services (CARES) on Saturday, July 20 at 8pm at the Sierra II Theater on 24th Street in Sacramento. Proceeds from ticket sales and donations will benefit both CARES and the Sacramento Men's Chorus.

When I Was Young is a family'oriented musical review inspired by such comic strips as Calvin and Hobbs, When I Was Short and Pea-District 3, represented by Josh nuts; children's books Winnie the them through their work with the Pane has lost population since 1981 Pooh and Where the Wild Things community of artists. ▼

new District 3 may move west to Seasame Street and The Muppet

Tickets are \$18 and must be purchased in advance from The Gifted Gardener, 2122 J St., or CARES, 2710 Capitol.▼

Archival Framing moves to L Street

D. Oldham and Sheri Watson, owners of Archival Framing, announce the July 1 relocation of Archival Framing to 1729 L Street.

Archival Framing specializes in wholesale and retail framing of original works of art and framable antiques.

The opening reception will be Saturday, July 6, 7-9pm. The first exhibition, "Sampler," highlights the expertise and versatility of Archival Framing by exhibiting recently framed works of local artists.

Exhibitions to begin on a regular basis in September, will feature Sacramento Metropolitan Arts Commission New Work Grantees. In addition, special purpose exhibitions and otherbenefits will be hosted. Watson and Oldham see this as a means to share with the community at large the opportunities provided

Be proud, be visible... wear a Triangle!

The pink triangle and the black triangle, symbols of gay/lesbian celebration and pride, have historical origins from the Nazi Crusade during World War II. Gay men and lesbians today are wearing triangle jewelry, for visibility and pride in honor of our gay/lesbian brothers and sisters who were tortured and killed in Nazi concentration camps.

Be Proud Jewelry, a line of pink and black triangle tie tacs, pins, earrings and bolo ties, is a new Sacramento-based business developed by two local women, Nancy Avery and Dorothy Mason. Wearing a pink triangle tie tac on your jacket, shirt or dress, is a way to come out and be proud in a subtle manner. Mason comments, ""When I wear a triangle pin, whether to be to work or out for the evening, it gives me pleasure and satisfaction about being who I am, a lesbian. What's even more wonderful is to go out to an event and see someone else who is wearing a triangle. It's a way of making ourselves visible to each other and feeling a sense of comradery and family."

It is important to understand the history of the triangle in order to appreciate the meaning of the triangle today. In Germany, 1933, the first homosexual men were confined to concentration camps and forced to wear a pink triangle sewn on their clothing. In the eyes of Hitler, homosexuals constituted the lowest rung in the camp hierar-

There were four main groups of people who were imprisoned in the camps: Political adversaries, members of inferior races, criminals and asocials. Each individual group was branded with a number and a particular color of triangle sewn on the clothing on the left side of the chest as well as on the right trouser leg.

The following is a list of colors of the triangle and the group it represents: yellow - Jews; red - political prisoners; green - criminals; violet - Jehovah Witnesses; brown - Gypsies; blue - imigrants; pink homosexual men; black - asocials.

Molly Cate, a graduate student in sociology at UCD, wears her black triangle pin as a way of expressing a "lost piece" of women's herstory. She states "that it is being investigated by feminist historians that the black triangle, which denotes asocials, included prostitutes and lesbians because they were considered to be social outlaws against the traditional male-dominant social order."

Our present strong gay spirit is a product of the persecution and loss of thousands of lives. What has developed is our gay/lesbian culture of today which is represented by the triangle. Let us all hold high the meaning of the triangle as a symbol of our gay heritage. Swing out, celebrate, wear a triangle - be proud.

Acrylic and stone triangle jewelry can be purchased at Lioness Books. For more information call 916-756-8033. ▼

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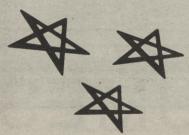
















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Saturday 15

LAMBDA FREEDOM FAIR, 10am, McKinley Park; 442-0185.

BMX presents "Pre Summer Jam,", Club Shangri-La, 9pm-2am, \$5 cover; Music by Joey, 487-0439, 482-9127.

Judy Fjell with Crystal Reeves, Berkeley Freight & Salvage, 8:30pm, 415-548-1761.

Sacramento Master Singers, 8pm, Westminister Presbyterian Church, 1300 N St., \$6, 972-9886, 925-3159.

San Francisco Opera Mozart Festival "Le Nozze Di Figaro", 7:30pm; War Memorial Opera House, S.F. 415-864-3330.

White Water Rafting Trip, Trailhead; \$195 + \$50 dep.; 361-8668.

Common Sense Dog Training: Beginning, 8:30am; Puppies, 9:45am; Advanced Puppies, 1 lam; Intermediate 12:15: Trick Class, 1pm - 6424 Sutter Ave; Joan Guertin 485-2201.

Legislature: Budget must be passed by midnight.

Sac. Lesbians Creating Change (SLCC), 7pm, Sac. AIDS Foundation Bd. Rm., 2nd floor, 442-0185.

Sunday 16

Father's Day BBQ, Joseph's Town & Country, 5pm; 649-9248.

Diablo Valley MCC - Lay Ministry Study Program "The Way We Grow In Our Faith," 1:30pm, 415-827-2960.

"Women of Gold," movie about Bay Area Asian-American Lesbians at 1990 Gay Games, 7pm; rap session follows; GLAAD, Women's Building, 3543 18th St., 415-861-4588; free.

First Lesbian/Gay Freedom Day Parade and Festival in Fresno, 10am in the Tower District Olive Ave. from Palm Ave. to Fulton St.

San Francisco Opera Mozart Festival "Die Zauberflöte", 2pm; War Memo-rial Opera House, S.F. 415-864-3330.

American River College Theater Arts Dept. - Anything Goes - July 12-July 28; 484-8234.

Carmichael Civic Theatre -Once Upon A Mattress - Jue 28-July 20; Pal Joey - Oct. 18-Nov. 30; 489-6880.

Foothill Theatre Co. - Till Death Do Us Part - Sept. 13-14; 265-8587.Garbeau's Dinner Theatre - On Golden Pond - thru June 8; You're A Good Man Charlie Brown - June 14-July 20; 985-6361.

Garbeau's Dinner Theatre -You're A Good Man, Charlie Brown - June 14-July 20; Agatha Christie's Towards Zero - July 26-Sept, 21; Monday Night Con-cert Series - Strunz & Farah -June 3; Tom Borton - July 1; David Becker Tribune - July 29; Windows - August 19; 98-6361.

The Lambda Players - Progres-

Miriam Gray's Acting Studio -Noises Off - thru May 31-June 22; Burnt Fields - thru June 22;

Music Circus - Madame Butterfiy June 26-30; The Music Man
July 8-14; Little Me - July 15-21;
Joseph & The Amazing Technicolor Dreamcoat - July 22-28;
Me & My Girl - July 20-August 4;
Sweet Charity August 5-11; La
Cage Aux Folles - August 12-18;
Sophisticated Ladies - August
19-25; Grand Hotel - August 27Sept. 1; 446-5880.

Sept. 1; 446-5880.

Sacramento Theatre Company - All My Sons - September 13October 6; A Raisin in the Sun - October 25-November 17; How to Succeed in Business without Really Trying - December 6January5, 1992; The fifth of July - January 24-February 16, 1992; Latins Anonymous - March 6-29, 1992; At the Still Point - April 24-May 17; 443-6722.

Theatre Rhinoceros - Global Riot - June 14-29; Drag Queens in Outer Space - June 29-August 3; 415-861-5079.

Stagedoor Comedy Playhouse -Run for Your Wife - thru June 29; 927-0942.

THEATRE

Gay Softball League: Wreck Room vs. Faces 12noon; Mercantile vs. TownHouse 2pm, 21st & C, Sac.

Jimmy Buffett, Concord Pavilion, 4pm, 923-BASS.

KQED celebrates Gay & Lesbian Pride Month - "Coming of Age," Ch. 9, 8pm; "The Naked Civil Servant," 10pm; "Another Country," 11:20pm.

Monday 17

Pony Express returns to Old Sac; 2:45pm, info: 443-7815.

Women's Rap Group, "Substance Abuse Among Lesbians," 7pm, Lambda Comm. Center, 442-0185.

RCDC meeting, Sierra 2 Center, 24th St. & 4th Ave.

Luciano Pavarotti in Concert, bene-fit for S.F. Opera & Shanti Project, Mt. Zion AIDS Research & Project Open Hand, Cow Palace, S.F.; 1-800-552-6168.

KQED celebrates Gay & Lesbian Pride Month - "Coming of Age," Ch. 9, 10:30pm "The Naked Civil Servant," 12:30am.

Tuesday 18

"Heart-to-Heart," 6:30pm, SAF, 1900 K St., #200; Joe 448-2437.

PFLAG meeting, 7:30pm, Christian Education Bldg., St. Marks United Methodist Church, 2391 Lusk Ave., Sac. Rap session with Will Green, M.D.

P.O.V.: "Absolutely Positive," 10pm, KQED.

"The Basics of Early HIV Medical Intervention," CARES, 7pm; 443-3299. San Francisco Opera "Cosi Fan Tutte," 8pm, 415-864-3330.

Lambda U "Waltzing al, n a2, n a3" 7pm, Contemporary & Country Western, Lambda Center; 442-0185.

The Music of Andrew Lloyd Webber, Concord Pavilion, 8pm, 923-BASS.

Common Sense Dog Training: Beginning, 10am; Beginning, 6:30pm; Puppies, 6:30; Advanced Puppies, 7:30; Intermediate, 7:30 - Curtis Park; Joan Guertin 485-2201.

KQED celebrates Gay & Lesbian Pride Month - "Another Country," 12:30am.

Wednesday 19

"Tired of Timid," workshop, lecture, 7pm; Church of Enthusiasm & Joy; reservations required 456-5685, 489-7503.

San Francisco Opera Mozart Festival "Le Nozze Di Figaro", 7:30pm; War Memorial Opera House, S.F.

Common Sense Dog Training: Puppies, 6pm; Beginning, 6:30; Advanced Puppies, 7:40 - 6424 Sutter; Joan Guertin 485-2201.

GALLERIES

Archival Framing - reception: July 6, 7-9pm, 1729 L St. (new location) - "Sampler" - 444-9624.

California Arts Council Gallery - "Czech Introspective," June 6-July 3; Reception June 6.5:30-7:30pm; 739-3186.

Cartoon Art Museum - "Electronic Comics & Computer Art" thru September 14; 415-546-9481.

Crocker Art Museum - 66th Annual Crocker-Kingsley Exhibition thru June 6; Artful Deception: The Craft of the Forger.

Michael Himovitz Gallery (Downtown) - Lynn Criswell, Maggie Jimenez, Kurt Kemp -thru July 13; Reception June 22, 6-8pm; 448-8723.

Michael Himovitz Gallery (Pavilions) - Larry Lewis, Donald Louthian, Michael Hough - thru July 10; Reception Fri., June 21, 6-8pm; 925-5917.

Lioness Bookstore - Women to Women's Art Show and Sale -June 16-July 8; 893-2063.

Lite Rail Gallery - Guy Colwell June 8-July 8.

Josie's Cabaret and Juice Joint-Queer Pix by Rick Gerharter -June 1-30; Opening Reception: June 5; 415-861-7933.

Shenandoah Gallery - "Summer Show" thru July 29; Works by Carol Attoe, Suzan Goodban, Barbara Milman; 209-245-4455.

415-864-3330.

KQED celebrates Gay & Lesbian Pride Month - "The Creative Mind: Marlon Riggs, Part 1," Ch. 9, 7:30pm.

Thursday 20

Diablo Valley MCC, 4-part seminar on homosexuality & the Bible, 7pm; Info 415-827-2960.

"Reincarnation & Past Lives," special workshop, 7pm, Church of Enthusi-asm & Joy; reservations required, \$15, 456-5685, 489-7503.

Gay Softball League: Faces vs. Town House 12noon; Wreck Room vs. Mer-cantile 2pm, 21st & C, Sac.

KOED celebrates Gay & Lesbian Pride Month - "Salut Victor!" Ch. 9, 10pm; "My Beautiful Laundrette," 11:30pm.

Monday 24

Women's Rap Group, "Naughty Les-bians Adult Erotica/Toy Exhibit & Sales Party," 7pm, Lambda Comm. Center, 442-0185.

Chicago Midwest Pride Sport & Cultural Festival, 708-323-8583.

Legislature: Last day for Assembly to pass Assembly bills or Senate to pass Senate bills.

KQED celebrates Gay & Lesbian Pride Month - "Radio Craze," Ch. 9, 9m; "Olivia Records' 15th Anniver-sary," 10:30pm; "Andre's Mother," Ch. 9, 11:40pm.

Saturday 29

"Putting on the Ritz," BACW dance, 8:30pm, Giftcenter Pavilion, S.F., \$30-\$45; Info 415-495-5393.

RCDC Yard Sale Fundraiser, 7am-2pm, McKinley Park; to donate items: Ed, 682-8948.

Reservations for Lifestyle Diversity Camp (July 19-21), Tunnel Mill Group Campsite, Emigrant Gap; \$15/person; Reservations to Box 6630 Reno, NV 89513-6630.

Romanovsky & Phillips, 8:30pm, The Palms, tickets available at BASS.

Trailhead Country Western Dance/ BBQ, Beach Lake Preserve in Freeport, 12noon361-8668.

San Francisco Opera "Cosi Fan Tutte," 8pm, 415-864-3330.

Physique '91, San Francisco, 415-431-6254.

The Nylons, Concord Pavilion, 8pm, 923-BASS.

Sunday 30

SAN FRANCISCO LES-BIAN/GAY FREE-DOM DAY PARADE & CELEBRATION; 415-864-3733.

San Francisco Opera "La Finta Giardini-era," 2pm, 415-864-

era," 2pm, 415-8 3330 San Francisco Opera "Lucio Silla," 7pm, 415-864-3330.

The Judds, Concord Pavilion, 7:30pm, 923-BASS.

JULY

Tuesday 2

New Beginnings Land Trust, Resources for Independent Living, 1211 H St., #B, 6pm; Info: 441-0749.



Photo by Christopher Kight

The "Peanuts" gang in the musical "You're A Good Man, Charlie Brown," playing at Garbeau's Dinner Theatre through July 20.

Thursday 27

San Francisco Opera "Cosi Fan Tutte," 8pm, 415-864-3330.

TV Channel 6 - "The Creative ind: Marlon Riggs, Part 2," Ch. 9, 7:30pm; "Out Front "91," 9pm; "Out in Amer-ica," 10pm; "Metamorphosis: Man into Woman," 11pm.

Comedian Sharon Carr, Joseph's Town & Country, 8pm, \$3 cover; 649-9248.

Sac. Lesbians Creating Change (SLCC), 7pm, Sac. AIDS Foundation Bd. Rm., 2nd floor, 442-0185.

Friday 21

Celebrate! Dance to the Music! with SACWN, 8:30pm, Holiday Inn, \$12-\$15; Music by the Hearbeats; 486-8985.

International Lesbian & Gay Film Festival, thru June 30; info: Frameline 415-861-5245.

San Francisco Opera Mozart Festival "Le Nozze Di Figaro", 7:30pm; War Memorial Opera House, S.F. 415-864-3330.

Legislature: Last day for Fiscal Com-mittees to report bills rior to July 1; Last day for any committee to meet prior to July 1.

Saturday 22

California Symphony - "Beethoven in Blue Jeans," 8pm, Concord Pavilion. Rubber Bear Contest, Registration 10pm, Strut 11pm, The Wreck Room; Info: Joe, 448-2437.

San Francisco Opera Mozart Festival "Die ZauberflÖte", 8pm; War Memo-rial Opera House, S.F. 415-864-3330. California Symphony, Concord Pavilion, 8pm, 923-BASS.

Sunday 23

Lesbian/Gay Pride Picnic, "Music in the Park," 12noon, Keiser Commu-nity Park, Windsor; info: 707-528-6244; guests: Barbara Boxer, Mike Thompson, Tom Nolan.

Art Attack & Auction Reception for Contributors. Info: 441-5494.

San Francisco Opera "Cosi Fan Tutte," 2pm, 415-864-3330.

1st Annual PurePet Showcase of Champions & Fun Match, Contra Costa County Fairgrounds, \$7 pre-entry fee, \$9 day of match; 415-481-8174.

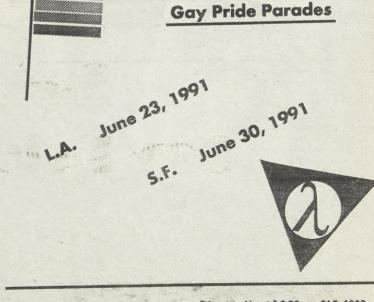
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Wednesday 26

"Meditation & Spiritual Freedom," Church of Enthusiasm & Joy, 7pm; reservations required, 456-5685,



Friday 28

"Meeting Erotic Needs Safely," 1900 K St., #200, 7pm; Joe 448-2437. San Francisco Opera "Lucio Silla," 8pm, 415-864-3330. "Heart-to-Heart," 6:30pm, SAF, 1900 K St., #200; Joe 448-2437.

Thursday 4

California Symphony "An American Celebration," with fireworks, Con-cord Pavilion, 8pm; 923-BASS.

Hollywood costume museum opens

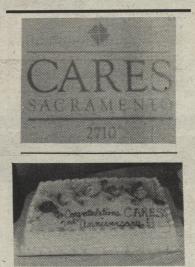


Hollywood's newest tourist attraction, the Hollywood Movie Costume Museum, is now open. The museum is located at 6630 Hollywood Blvd. and is open Sun.-Thurs. 10am-8pm, and Fri.-Sat. 10am-10pm. Over 65 years of movie history are featured, including original costumes worn in films from the silent days to last year's blockbusters. In honor of Gay Pride Week celebrations, admission to the Hollywood Movie Costume Museum will be reduced to \$4 from June 20-30. For information: 213-962-6892, or 6630-D Hollywood blvd., Hollywood, CA 90028.

CARES celebrates second anniversary



Dr. Emmitt Smith, M.D. Vice president of CARES



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CARES Sacramento recently celebrated their second anniversary at their medical offices at 2710 Capitol Ave. The festivities included a buffet luncheon and several guest speakers, Dr. Emmitt Smith, M.D., Assemblyman Lloyd Connelly, Thelma Fraziear and Bishop Elect Lamb. Several topics were discussed, including early AIDS intervention practices and the need for greater community support. A tree symbolizing "Hope" was also planted in front of CARES during the celebration.

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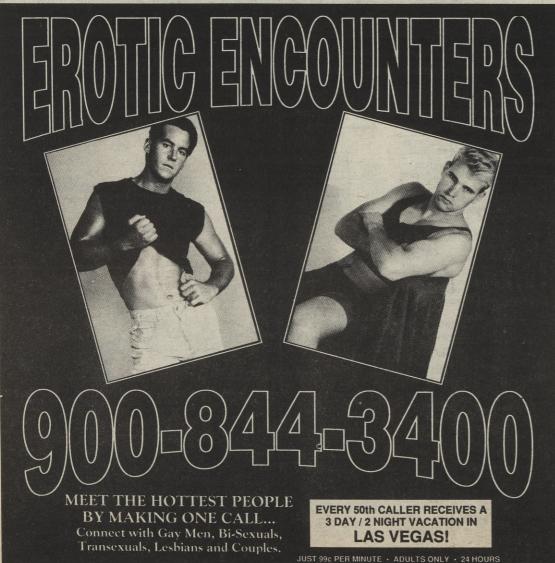
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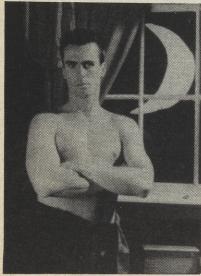
Bijou videos reviewed

reviewed by Eduardo P. Rede
OF MGW STAFF

Once in a Blue Moon

Rarely have I reviewed 'porno,' but I do have a background in theater and film so when they asked I said "Ah ... um ... Oh what the hell!" The first video to be reviewed is a Bijou release titled *Once in a Blue Moon*. Not exactly an original concept but hey, this IS porno ... right?

Written and directed by Toby Ross, the video is in four parts, each vignette having its own title and theme. The first one starring Luke Bender as a *Top Gun* World War II flyer, who is shot down over



Chris Hart stars in "Once in a Blue Moon."

Russia, uses a lot (too much) of extra footage from other sources. Russian soldiers on parade, breathtaking landscapes of Moscow and the like, of which does nothing for the video! Chris Hart as the Russian interrogator uses an accent that borders on Hispanic and sometimes German, but never Russian, and pseudo S&M scenes are so poorly done they wouldn't fool a 5-year-old. But then again, if you want to look at great-looking hunks, sometime you have to sacrifice something ... in porno it's usually acting ability!

Part 2 stars (I use this term loosely ...) Marcus Braun and Jonnie Rohm as two junior executives who come out to one another the day one is to leave for a new assignment in Paris. Even though these two hunks are worth watching, they never really convince me that they have really "wanted"

each other since the day they met."

Jerome Goes to Hell, Part 3, is a slightly twisted vignette about an anti-gay, anti-homeless, anti-anything, politician who dies and gets sentenced to spend eternity with the people he hated most. Zeff Ryan as Jerome does a poor job of convincing anyone that "he's never done anything like this before" as he takes on 8 or 10 of those who have gone before him. The orgy that ensues is interesting, but has some of the stupidest dialogue that I've

Segment 4, Once in a Blue Moon (after which the tape is titled), is by far the better portion of this tape. Dean Pike and Jim Montana give a slightly more credible performance as a newly released inmate and his pen-pal of three years who meet for the first time. These two actually appear to show some caring and sensitivity for one another.

I applaud Ross for using many safe sex practices in his video, although I wish that he would have gone one step further and used more in the orgy scene, but then again, I guess you wouldn't need to once you've made it to hell.

Overall, this video has too many faults to warrant the purchase price, but you might rent it if you can find it. It would be worth the three bucks!

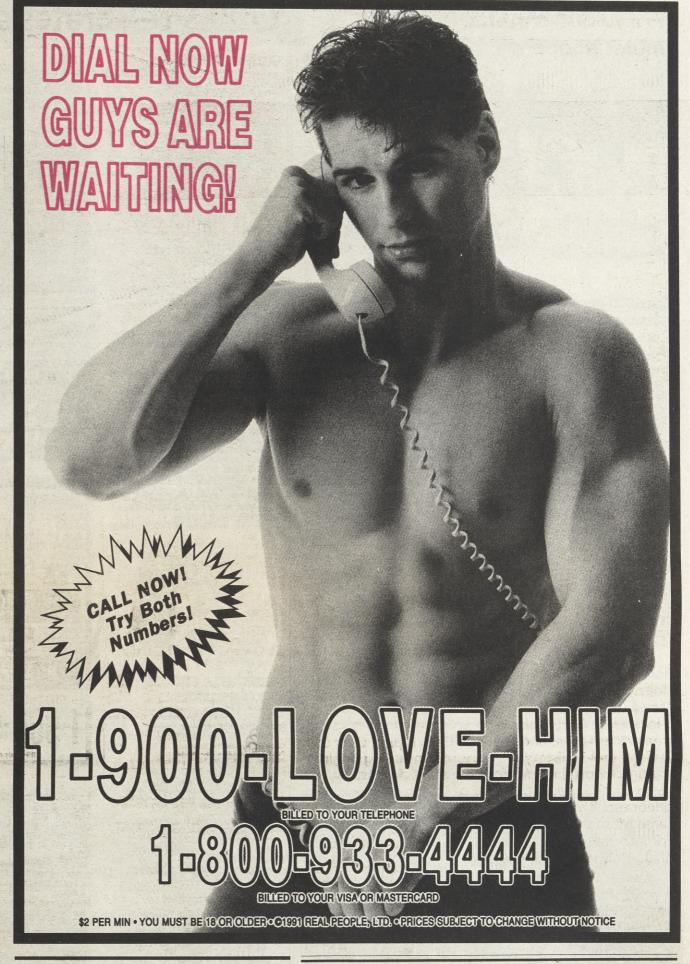
A real man wouldn't leave?

Another Bijou release, A Real Man Wouldn't Leave, a real man wouldn't watch! Director-writer Butch Detroit butchered this one! The 'All Male Cast' including Sparky O'Toole, Dean Pike, Aarron Scott and others, also includes an unnamed female. She plays our star's mother, taking it every which way she can, in fact the first 15-minute segment is devoted to "Mom" and how she does 'very well thank you' with her hot Italian stud of a boyfriend. Why Detroit would include this segment is beyond me, unless of course, he's trying to attract the bi's out there.

The whole video is a series of flashbacks that our star has about his brother, his cousin, his mother's boyfriends and his fantasies of how to get away from mom.

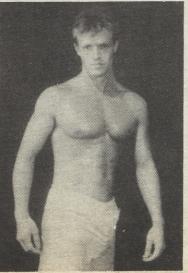
The camera work looks like a home video made by an 11-year-old, too many 'floor shots' and cuts make this video annoying to watch.

The best segment of this video (if any of it can



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called "best") is a section in which the star fantasizes about moving to New York and becoming a model. Very artsy shots of solo men posing, cross fading and superimposed into and over each other is actually done very well. It was

probably the only time Detroit used a tripod.

I think I'd even save my \$3 on this one.▼

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Over 600 persons participated in the June 1 walk to raise more than 60K for AIDS.



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Mayor Anne Rudin took time to participate in the day's activities and give some autographs.

Women's weekend held



Photo by Joyce Bezaz

New York comedian Susan Wesknhoefer entertained the crowds at Fife's during Guerneville's Women's Weekend in May.

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Marga Gomez' play a smash success in S.F.

by Joyce Bezaz OF MGW STAFF

Memory Tricks, comedian Marga Gomez's one-woman play, sold out every night during it's recent run at The Marsh in San Francisco. The play focuses upon the history of and her relationship with her glamorous show-biz mother, known at one time in New York as "Margo the Exotic."

Marga recalls growing up watching her Cuban-born father, standup comic Willy Chevalier, and stage at nightclubs and in life in The Marsh in S.F.

is a delight, as the material and Marga's colorful portrayal of char-



Photo by Irene Young

Puerto-Rican born actress/dancer Marga Gomez in her recent one- cases the enormous talents of Marga mother Margarita Estremera, on woman show "Memory Tricks" at Gomez.

general. Each moment of the show acters (including herself) had the reviewed by Eduard P. Rede audience in hysterics.

> Although the majority of the play is comedic, it takes a turn (as does life) toward the poignant and dramatic as Marga chronicles the descent of her once lively mother into Alzheimer's disease.

> By this printing the show will have completed it's run in San Francisco, but perhaps with a little luck and organization someone could bring the play to we Sacramentans. We can only hope so, as this show is flawless entertainment which show-

if he had to, and Roberta Blagg as

leagues, a bad leg, and a

plate of sardines, is inspired.

ness swirling about, the ac-

tion of Nothing On and

Noises Off is often blured.

Is this pandemonium in the

play or are the actors just

falling apart? It doesn't

really matter, it's just pure

fun. Kudos to everyone in-

volved, including the un-

sung scenic designer Edward

members. For reservations call 916-

As for the general mad-

Psst ... Have I got a secret!

And so has Sheri Glaser, in fact the whole thing is about Family Secrets. Family Secrets is the best play of its type to come along in years. Produced by Mark Anderson and Harriet Newman Leve, and presented at the Improv in San Francisco, it promises to be one of this city's best shows of the season. Glaser portrays the entire five member family in her one-woman



Photo by Janet Van Ham

Sheri Glaser as "Mort" in "Family Secrets."

Mort, a Jewish father, accountant and 'Master of the house,' gives us some startling details of his family's trials and tribulations. How he moved his family from New York to California after his wife's breakdown, and of his reactions when his daughter confronts him with her lesbian relationship, are but a sampling of the revelations Mort has to share with us.

Bev, 'The Perfect Mother,' who

also happens to be a law student, is one of Glaser's strongest characterizations. With touching views of what a mom thinks, and a realization of how much of her life was affected by her mother deserting her as a child, this character comes

Fern, the eldest daughter, gives us a comedic and graphic look at what a woman goes through during 'Homebirth.' Glaser draws on her own experience after having given birth to her own daughter, Dana, three years ago. She does a splendid job of transferring those feelings to her audience. Fern is by far Glaser's most accomplished char-

"This show is about love," she explained in an interview in Los Angeles. "You go through all this stuff, and it's very painful and challenging and confusing. But if you have love in your life, let it in, use it. Be aware of it."

"This family goes through Hell, but they really love each other. Unfortunately that's rare," she says.

In addition to a message about family love, Glaser believes that Family Secrets depicts 'the powerful state of being a woman.' "I think it's time that women get recognized for some of this stuff, particularly childbirth. The basic power of women is sadly overlooked in this society - in the whole world!" claims

Written with her husband, Greg Howells, she has taken much of the story from her own experience. She too is a New York transplant, and her parents confirm that the characterizations are closely based on "their" family. Glaser has been performing Family Secrets since January of 1990, when she opened the show at the Rose Theater in Venice, California. She has also had long engagements in Hollywood and San Diego.

See Secrets on page 16

Miriam Gray's Acting Studio opens Noises Off at the 24th St. Theater

reviewed by Matthew Kennedy OF MGW STAFF

Certain plays are said to be "actor proof," that is, they are so wellwritten and, the characters are so compelling, that they survive and transcend bad acting. Noises Off, a lunatic British farce by Michael

Frayn, is actor proof. Noises Off not only survives bad acting, it positively thrives on it. Let me explain.

Act One opens on a rehearsal of a cheesy little sex farce called Nothing On, being produced by a third-rate British touring company. Act Two is backstage during a Nothing On matinee performance one month after the opening. Act Three is a performance of

Nothing On several months into the actors substituting for each other at Duffy, lighting designer Susie Owens tour. We never see anything beyond Act One of Nothing On, which is just fine.

It's risky to rhapsodize on how funny this production from Miriam Gray's Acting Studio is, because such endorsement may invite people to resist being so thoroughly amused. Let's call it a British hybrid of the ous and unintentional. She has best of the Marx Brothers, I Love assembled a strong cast that meets Lucy and America's Home Videos. Let's call it inspired and joyous Despite some garbled dialogue, slapstick. Everything that could temptation is to heap praise on eve- 443-0763 or 443-3188.

possibly go wrong does, and the en-rybody, for they all do terrific work. semble's growing repugnance for Two of my favorite performances one another only further sabotages were from Bill Wahl as Selsond the already shoddy proceedings. The Mowbray, a broken down actor who gags consistently work, aided by couldn't make an entrance on time the generous use of nine (yes, nine!) doors on the set, missed cues, props Dotty Otley. Her descent into present or absent at the wrong times, dementia, precipitated by a wanbungled lines, practical jokes, and dering telephone, disagreeable col-



Photo by Peggy Peters

A scene from "Noises Off"

a moment's notice.

The pacing is crucial; this play is often more choreographed than directed. Praise is due director Miriam Gray for her seamless staging of a very complex and very physical play; it's not easy making theater disasters look so spontanethe play's substantial challenges.

and costume designer Jerri Sparks, and cast members Jeffrey Dean, Brian Gaskey, Yolando Portal, Joanne Gorbach, Greg Hill, Erin Renfree, and Dan Fletcher. Community theater rarely looks this good. Noises Off's remaining performances are June 15, 22, and 22 at the 24th Street Theater, 2791 24th St. Admission is \$12 general, \$10 for students, seniors, and SARTA

Lambda Progressions is a "must see"

reviewed by Lou Camera OF MGW STAFF

The Lambda Community Players is presenting Progressions, a new work by upcoming playwright Gregg Peterson. The production, a rosion with support from the City of nature are an exaggeration. Sacramento and Friends of the Arts Peterson's familiarity of the ma-Council.

to characterize virtually all pospast memories from the audience the run of the show. members. A gay bashing incident the arms of the victim, Sean.

tary teacher who seems to play the Players box office at 442-7752. ▼ role of one's moral conscious.

Whether addressing his class or reacting to attitudes at awards ceremonies or in deep conversation with Mark, he serves as a reminder that just to be gay is making a statement, more than with our heterosexual counterparts. Four other mantic comedy, is definitely worth performers play in excess of 20 seeing. Progressions, written spe- characters, which sometimes is a cifically for the Lambda Players, is bit confusing. Due to brief appearfunded by a grant through the Sac- ances, the roles almost seem as ramento Metropolitan Art Commis- caricatures, which by their very

terial and philosophy of the show, The story is about Mark (Peter- coupled with an extensive performson), a successful writer for women's ance background (including The magazines, who just happens to be Show Below's Blood Knot) gives gay, and his evolution as a gay his character a decided advantage activist, or as much of an activist as over the other performers. His one can be and not lose sight of comfort with the role and his unique being a romantic comedy. The charm and expressions create a audience is introduced to a number noteworthy performance. Inadeof Mark's acquaintances which seem quate rehearsal time in the performance space prior to opening night sible relationships. Simultaneous easily accounts for some of the lightlaughs and squirms at the scenes ing and stage management probseemed to affirm the reality and lems which are easily corrected into

Progressions closes on Sunday, ultimately brings Mark out and into June 16. Tickets (\$6 advance, \$8 door - if available) may be reserved Sean (Mark Brown) is an elemen- by calling the Lambda Community

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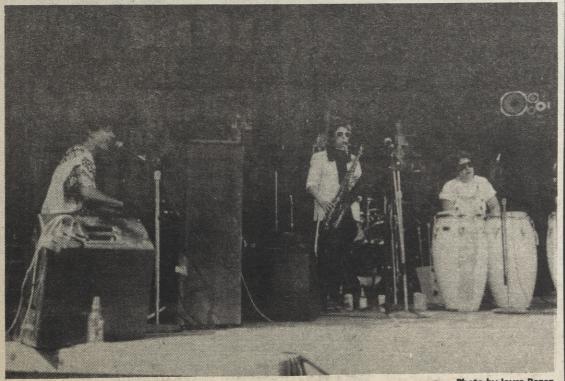


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"Deuce" was among the musical line-up during Guerneville's Women's Weekend in May.

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Thelma & Louise is female buddy pic with a bite

by Matthew Kennedy OF MGW STAFF

Thelma (Geena Davis) is the mousy, subservient housewife to a brutish lout. Louise (Susan Saran- of the Southwest is contrasted sharply don) is a coffee shop waitress and to the hellish human-made envithe tarnished, secretive girlfriend ronment of oil fields and truck stops. to the well-meaning but volatile Jim. The two set off on a vacation together, which is a major act of defiance for Thelma. Violence changes their lives dramatically and the two begin a funny and tense flight across several states, "armed and dangerous" in Louise's 1966 Thunderbird convertible.

Director Ridley Scott (Blade Runner, Alien) confirms his status as an enduring talent with Thelma & Louise. He has made a movie that manages to be rooted in both savage reality and allegorical fantasy. Thelma & Louise is also markedly different from Scott's previous work. His traditional fast action and unrelenting suspense is muted here; what matters more is the character study and development of two contrasting women. He juggles the difficult task of interwoven comedy and tragedy with there. The lighting distracts; the

films is here as well with the aid of production designer Norris Spencer. The incandescent, celestial beauty The soundtrack, with great pulsing music by Hans Zimmer and others, begs to be bought.

Holding it all together are Sarandon and Davis. These two steal and break hearts simultaneously. Davis' blossoming from unfulfilled twit to intoxicated thief who is "more awake than I've ever been" is both touching and disturbing, considering the circumstances. Sarandon gives a towering performance as the fierce and embittered Louise. Together they symbolize the feminist struggle over male domination. While they grow more subversive, our sympathy remains strong because the world they must survive in is twisted. Their fate is confirmed by a male-connot understand women's suppressed volcanic rage.

Thelma & Louise falters here and movie leaves one with hope.

great ease. The stunning visual dash is brightly lit at night as Thelma distinction he brought to previous and Louise drive through the black desert. There are plot holes with events happening too fast or not fast enough. These are minor complaints next to the problems of Harvey Keitel's character as a sympathetic FBI agent. His is one of those roles (another recent example being Mary McDonnell's Stands With a Fist in Dances With Wolves) that exists not from logical plot lines but from narrative weaknesses. Keitel begins to sound like a gratuitous Greek chorus, telling the audience that these ladies aren't criminals, they're just down on their luck. The message is unnecessary, and surprisingly literal minded in a movie that otherwise assumes high intelligence from its audience.

Thelma & Louise should stimulate conversation and debate. It provokes, and if we don't condone these friends' actions, we certainly see what motivates them. Thelma & Louise emerges as a feminist trolled system that cannot and will cheer where spirits have been trampled but will not be defeated. In its very round about way, the

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Photo by Janet Van Ham

Sheri Glaser as "Grandma Rose" in the play "Family Secrets."

Family Secrets has won several awards including the L.A. Drama Critics Circle Award for Creation/ Performance and the San Diego Critics Award for Best Touring

Company.

Glaser was a one-time member of Hotflashes, the feminist comedy troupe, in which she performed with comedians such as Whoopi Goldberg. Glaser was also the founder this secret out of the bag. of the Egomaniacs, where she created the characters that inspired her first one woman show Coping.

The staging of Family Secrets in the small but adequate Improv works well with this type of production. It are recommended. gives the presentation the closeness

needed for the audience to feel a part of the action. And when Grandma Rose gives those intimate details of how she fell in love with Milton at the age of 80, you can rest assured that she is sharing these Family Secrets only with you.

So if you're headed to the city, make time to catch Sheri Glaser's Family Secrets, now that I've let

Family Secrets, The Improve, 401 Mason St., San Francisco, Wednesday-Sunday (no closing date posted); tickets at all BASS ticket centers or 415-441-7787, \$8-\$10; reservations

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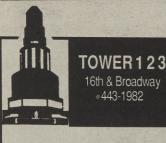
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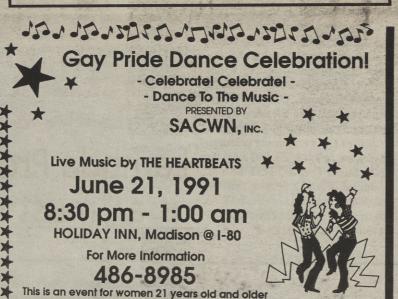
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Photographer receives national recognition

ith truly only a year of experience, MGW's own photographer, Pamela Coffey, recently achieved national honor for her photographic merits by taking first place in the portraiture category of a Photo District News sponsored contest.

Co-sponsored by Kodak, Nikon, Hasselblad and Sinar Bron, the contest is open to college students around the nation and attracts thousands of entries. There are four



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Photo by Pamela Coffey "Reggie"

categories, portraiture, still life, location and photojournalism, with winners being chosen from each category and then an overall winner. For each category entered, a contestant had to submit between six and twelve photographs.

Coffey entered three of the four categories, but the eight photographs that she submitted in the portraiture category, which was the most entered category, brought her the recognition. Coffey exclaimed, "After I entered the contest, I never gave it another thought. I never had any idea that I would win." Coffey heard the good news only two days before her birthday. "I just couldn't believe it. I was overwhelmed - to say the least. I felt like I wanted to get up and do a little snoopy dance. I think I am still on a high from it all," states

In addition to being featured in Photo District News' May 1991 issue, Coffey won \$500 in Kodak film and \$2500 in Hasselblad photo equipment. Sacramento City College, where Coffey is a student, also received \$1000 from the contest. Coffey's works were recently on display at Moscone Center in San Francisco, and there are other showings scheduled for cities around the nation.

Coffey noted that she enjoyed doing a little personal photography some twenty years ago, but she never pursued her interest. "I decided to take a sabbatical from the state about a year ago and reevaluate my life. That's when I decided that I wanted to get involved with photography," stated Coffey, "It's very

by Nathan Shreve MGW ASSIGNMENT EDITOR



Pamela Coffey on the other side of the camera.



"Ama 100 years"

"...photography is a great communicator..."



First Blush greeting card "Spring"

hard for me to be articulate about my work, but photography is a great communicator for me. I am able to express myself and learn through the images. Photography is like being in another world; it allows me to funnel my creative energy. I take a lot of joy in doing it, and now I can't conceive

doing anything else."

"I feel just as comfortable approaching people on the street as I do working in the studio (on personal projects)," says Coffey, "The hardest assignment I have ever had was covering the Traditional Values Coalition, anti-AB 101 rally at the State Capitol. I had the obligation as a member of the press to be fair and equitable even when I was surrounded by people who had so much hate and animosity towards me that they would rather see me destroyed."

Coffey notes that she is currently uncertain of the direction of photography that she wants to pursue. She states, "I have a lot of interests, and there are many areas of photography yet to explore. I have a real interest in social documentaries." Coffey contributes

a lot of her inspiration to her partner of 19



Photo by Pamela Coffe

"Valerie'

years, Valerie Tibbett.

Coffey has already begun diversifying her photographic talents, as she is an integral part of the new line of greeting cards from First Blush. The greeting card line was a cooperative effort between Coffey and Joan Greenfield. They wanted the cards to be a voice for women who love women and for

friends and family to send lesbians and for lesbians to send friends and family.

Coffey's greeting card "Spring" is available at several locations around Sacramento, including Lioness Books, How Tacky and Postcards Etc. In addition, the cards are now available in Los Angeles, San Francisco and New York.▼

psychic reporter Experiments and research in healing

OF MGW STAFF

Is it possible to tell if "alleged" psychic healing has any real effect? An alternative healing researcher, Daniel Wirth, recently designed an innovative approach. Wirth arranged for a medical doctor to deliberately inflict skin wounds of identical depth and diameter on the shoulders of 44 volunteer subjects. Half of these subjects were randomly selected for exposure to what Wirth calls a "non-contact therapeutic touch" treatment intended to heal their wounds. To guard against a possible placebo effect, NONE of the subjects were told they were being exposed to the intended treatment until after the experiment was finished. After the surgical wounds were inflicted, Wirth's subject each shoulders placed through an open-

actually existed.

unknowingly exposed to a "healer" on the other side of the wall. The healers concentrated on mentally "healing" the wounds without touching them. The consame fashion to an empty room. The result? The treatment group's quickly than did those of the control group. While 13 of the treated subjects' wounds completely healed by the end of the experiment, NONE OF THE CONTROL SUBJECTS SHOWED THIS RESULT. Dr. Ray Hyman, Ph.D., in many cases, their very lives. spent five minutes a day, for a 16 of the University of Oregon comday period, standing in his labora- ments: "Unfortunately, Wirth's tory with their arms and wounded experiment was flawed because of the possibility of contact being in a wall. Although they were tween the healer and the experitold that a monitoring instrument mental subjects. The subjects might

in the opposite room was record- not have known they were particiing the "energy" streaming from pating in a healing study, but they their wounds, no such instrument might have somehow felt some pleasant sensation such as radi-What was really happening was ated heat or responded to some that members of the randomly other subliminal stimulus coming selected treatment group were from the person in the other room that might have influenced the rate of healing." Wirth plans to repeat the study, modifying the design to "rule out the possibility of any such contact again. (This article trol group unknowingly exposed was reported on by Dr. Keith their wounded shoulders in the Harary in Omni Magazine, May 1991).

There is absolutely no doubt in wounds healed significantly more my mind that remarkable and unexplained healing does occur. The fact of the matter is that there is also a lot of purported healing that is fraudulent. This kind of fake healing dupes people of their money and destroys their faith, trust and

> The following observations of the activities of the Philippine healers are the results of the combined work of a group of scientists, medical doctors, psychiatrists, parapsychologists, psychologists, clinical physiologists, and psychical researchers from five coun-

The following is directly quoted from G.W. Meek. Observation. In G.W. Meek (Ed.), Healers and the healing process, Wheaton, Illinois; The Theosophical Publishing House ...

1. Contrary to all publicity and contrary to what seems to take place in the many motion pictures you many have seen of the Philippine healers at work, the physical body is not opened in 95% of the injections, which, although no

which appear in "operations" on two feet from the patient's body, Western patients, and the so-called "witchcraft item" which appear in the case of native patients, fall primarily into two categories:

A. They may be genuine apport or materialization phenomena, or

mixture of animal blood, and animal tissue or items from nature. (As of 1977, category B undoubtedly accounts for the overwhelming portion of the activi-

3. The two categories just mentioned show clearly why there has been such total confusion in the results of pathological examination of the blood and tissue obtained from such "operations," and why the healers have often teeth, the healer using only his resisted attempts of researchers to obtain samples for pathological

4. Regardless of the source of the "blood and guts" or witchcraft items, in any given "operation" the resulting powerful psychological impact is often highly beneficial to the patient.

5. Such healing as does take place in the patient's body results largely from energies emanating from or through the healer which appear to stimulate or reactivate the cells in the patient's body.

6. Sometimes this rebuilding and reenergizing of cells, organs, and muscles of the patient's body can take place very quickly, say at hundreds of times the normal healing speed, sometimes it may occur over days, weeks, or months.

7. In addition to the completely valid by declining materialization and apport phenomena mentioned in item (2) above, other paranormal phenomena such as the following have been documented:

A. "Psychic" or "spiritual" needle is used, and the healer's 2. The red liquid and tissue hand may not come closer than can sometimes cause a feeling of sharp pain and produce a flow of blood (and even pierce four layers of plastic film concealed below the patient's clothing..).

B. The making of a small open-

B. They may be produced by de- ing in the skin without the use of ception or sleight-of-hand from a instruments, an opening which will heal normally and leave no scar.

> C. The dematerialization and rematerialization of cotton and the apparent insertion into and the removal of such cotton from patient's body without any visible opening, and usually without physical discomfort. (This activity is also the subject of very frequent deception or sleight-of-

D. The painless extraction of fingers and a gentle pull.

8. As to the relative effectiveness of the work of the healers, we make these points:

A. No broadly based and carefully documented CLINICAL reports have been prepared to date, and the very nature of the problems of organizing such research indicate (sic) it will be perhaps several years before such data will be available.

B. IN THE ABSENCE OF VALID CLINICAL DATA WE OFFER THESE OBSERVA-

(a) Most of the patients who spend the money and effort to travel to the Philippines have already tried to get relief from there ailments through their own doctors and have not been successful for any one of several reasons. Some of the illnesses successfully treated by healers had previously been considered terminal.

(b) Once the patient is in the Philippines, possibilities for healing vary considerably from healer to healer, and may depend on whether or not the patient has access to the services of more than one healer. This is because of differing abilities of individual healers. (Example: One healer never works on hands or feet.)

(c) The chances for successful

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Tom Cassidy

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CNN business anchorman NEW YORK - Tom Cassidy, 41, the Cable News Network business anchorman who went on television to tell millions of Americans of his battle against AIDS, died of AIDS complications on Sunday, May 29, 1991. Cassidy was diagnosed with AIDS in in a report with CNN last March. Cassidy stated, "It was unbelievable the pressure that was lifted off my shoulders when suddenly everybody knew. There's something about AIDS that's quite powerful - it's awfully final." Cassidy began his broadcasting career in Eugene, Oregon as a reporter and anchorman for KEZI-TV. He also worked for KGO-TV in San Francisco and then Mutual Radio in Chicago before joining CNN. Cassidy, a Boston native, was a gradute of Bowdoin College and earned a master's degrees in finance and journalism from Columbia University.▼

Dale H. Daniels

Dale H. Daniels, 54, died of an AIDS related illness Thursday, May 23, 1991 in his home in Gold Run. Mr. Daniels was instrumental in the formation of the Placer AIDS Foundation in 1988 and served two years as a director. Daniels successfully unified the foundation with the Sierra Foothills AIDS Foundation in Nevada County to enable more comprehensive AIDS-related service to a broader area. He also helped in founding the Placer Foundation's Hand-to-Hand program in

1989 and was active with the Placer-Nevada County AIDS Care and Assistance program. Mr. Daniels was born and raised in Tecumseh, Mich., and he enjoyed gardening and raising flowers. He was also a commercial financier and vice president with the Wall Street brokerage house of John Nuveen Inc. He settled in Gold Run in 1974 after retiring. Mr. James W. Nichols of Gold Run, a sister some time.

and two brothers. Remembrances may be made in his memory to the Memorial Garden Fund, care of the First Congregation Church of Auburn.

Thomas C. Lasorda Jr.

Son of the Los Angeles Dodgers manager, died earlier this month of pneumonia and severe dehydration at age 33. Lasorda, Daniels is survived by his companion, who was an artist, had been ill for quite

Joann Marie Ruiz

Joann Marie Ruiz, 42, passed away at home June 3, 1991 of complications related to AIDS. Ms. Ruiz, a native of San Francisco, was proudly commissioned in 1972 in the Navy Nurse Corps by her father, the late Lt. Cmdr. C.E. Hopgood. After serving 101/2 years in the U.S. Navy, Ms. Ruiz continued her nursing career in Fresno and, since 1985, in Sacramento at Kaiser and Mercy General hospitals. Ms. Ruiz was recognized by all who knew her to be a selflessly dedicated caregiver. Ms. Ruiz was the first documented healthcare worker in the U.S. to have contracted AIDS from an on-the-job injury. Ms. Ruiz was well known locally and around the country for her public speaking related to AIDS issues. Ms. Ruiz is survived by her beloved companion, Linda Tutor, Tootsie Ruiz, and many loving friends. In lieu of flowers remembrances may be made to Starcross Community, Box 14279, Santa Rosa, CA 95402.▼



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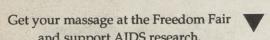
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Addiction: Getting free

by Sandra Warne, M.A. OF MGW STAFF

Addicts and compulsive personalities are not without many skills. We can create instant chaos and have raised controlling to an art. Unfortunately none of these skills is very relevant to recovery. Learning to tell the truth, turn it over, and let thought we'd see the day when wish we'd want to do any of these

Time and experience has shown that recovery doesn't just happen, especially not in a vacuum. The tyranny of our extreme need to control, actually keeps us adrift in our own impulses. Addictions and compulsions are circular and feed on repetition. Support networks are needed. Structure is needed. A new way of living is needed. What has to change? EVERYTHING. The most effective support network is usually a self-help program such as A.A., N.A., O.A., etc. The rapid growth of such groups is actually testimony to their value.

Getting into the routine of attending such programs as often as possible, is a good replacement ritual. The 12-step programs are contrasted with addiction treatment centers, are led by peers rather than professional counselors. They are attended by people with a common problem who share their experiences with each other.

Twelve-step programs provide the recovering person with

1) Hope: Seeing others who are successfully dealing with this addiction means recovery is indeed possible

2) A non-judgmental support system: Writes a member of Sex and Love Addicts Anonymous ... "I feel so safe here because I

know I'm not being judged." 3) Feedback: As one recovering amphetamine addict put it ... "Two heads are better than one, providing they are not on the same head.

4) A spiritual foundation: Often addiction is fueled by a lack of purpose in life, and the spiritual aspect of the program can be

5) Helping others: Contact with and helping beginners in the program is an excellent reminder ofevery addict's continued vulnerability.

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6) Belonging: This is another anti-higher the degree, the more qualidote because addiction fosters isolation and isolation fosters addiction.

7) A new framework: By admitting powerlessness over your addiction, you make a leap toward second order change.

8) Round the clock support: Twelve-step programs provide a telephone network 24 hours a day.

9) On-going membership: You go, are new skills. Whoever can continue going as long as you

> 10) Free membership: Makes it financially accessible to everyone.

Of course, the benefits of forming a self-help program are not instantaneous, and many still searching for the quick-fix, get discouraged when attending a few meetings doesn't "fix" them. So attend for several weeks before deciding. If you measure it by the addictive standard, "Is it magically taking away all my pain and discomfort now?" it will not measure up.

There are those that will argue that involvement with 12-step programs replaces dependency on one's drug with a dependency on going to meetings. That may be true, but not all dependency is a bad thing. Some dependency is part of normal functioning; its only unhealthy if it becomes exaggerated and causes negative consequences.

Professional help

Some people will increase their chances of success by enrolling in a tive and addictive relationship was professional treatment program designed for people with your particular type of addiction. In fact, the most consistent and effective recovery usually combines both 12-step self-help and professional guidance.

Professional programs now exist not only for drug and alcohol abusers, but also for gamblers, co-dependents, overeaters, sex addicts, anorectics, and bulimics. There are also private therapists, such as myself, who specialize in various addictions including workaholism and relationships.

I suggest looking for professional treatment that:

1) Acknowledges the disease model: This view subscribes to the idea that addiction and compulsions are primary disorders and must be treated as such that recovery is a

2) Requirement of abstinence: Achieving abstinence must be seen as a prerequisite for treatment, not a goal in itself.

3) Expertise in treating addiction: Don't always assume that the

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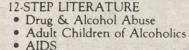
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There are not many medical or graduate schools that offer inten-4) Emphasis on relapse prevention: Rather than just helping you get off the drug, treatment should

fied someone is to treat addiction.

focus on preventing relapse. 5) Group counseling: Group experience can be vital to recovery.

6) Frequent individual counseling sessions: Individual sessions help you to identify triggers for cravings, establish structure for coming days, and to discuss sensitive or intimate issues not wellsuited for group discussions.

Get rid of supplies and reminders

Once you've pulled together your support system, build as much distance as possible between you and your mood-changer. This means getting rid of all drug supplies and paraphernalia that are part of your ritual. Reminders of your moodchanger can cause cravings as powerful as those elicited by the actual sight of the drug itself. In the following I will address some addictions that require something other than flushing a substance down the toilet...

Relationship addiction

Get rid of momentos you use to maintain the illusion that a destrucreally meeting your needs. For example, if the person you are addicted to once treated you to a wonderful evening at the theater but most of the time is not emotionally available, why save the ticket stubs from the play? Illusions keep you coming back for more.

Compulsive gambling

Stay away from casinos. Discard all racing forms, track tickets, and other betting remedies. Don't schedule vacations to Las Vegas, Reno or Stateline.

Compulsive shopping and spending

Compulsive spenders should cut up their credit cards. If you compulsively draw money out of an automatic cash machine, ask the bank to cancel that service for you. Close accounts with overdraft privileges. Refuse offers of credit.

Workaholism

You must start planning a reasonable work schedule for yourself and stick to it -- with the help of a family member or friend. It may be necessary to change positions at your workplace; remove yourself from an overly demanding job if it supports your workaholism by requiring exceedingly long hours and unreasonable sacrifices.

Compulsive overeating and food disorders

Clear out the food you've stashed in your bedroom, the trunk of the car or any place you binge. Throw out or give to charity all foods that are not on your abstinent food plan. Anorectics or bulimics must get rid of scales, laxatives, purgatives, diuretics, and related parapherna-

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Valentis: Merging physical and spiritual fitness

by B. Lee **GUEST WRITER**

"At such a time that each of us chooses to live a life without limits and dedicate ourselves to the truth and our own inner peace, at esteem. that moment world peace becomes a reality...'

improving heart and lung depression. conditioning, improving blood and anxiety, and promoting self

to increase cardiovascular fitness Today, fitness is not only heart, lungs and circulatory

or lowering body weight, treatment of mild cases of

Valentis promotes personalized circulation, strengthening the fitness programs and keeps immune system, releasing tension specialized trainers on staff to help each individual establish his/ her own unique fitness program. Physiologists promote exercise Each trainer is also very knowledgeable of nutritional Valentis by improving the efficiency of the needs and the gym even has its own sport's bar specializing in high protein drinks for those "long" workouts.



Commitment is the single most important ingredient of an exercise program. Sports psychologists have noted that an athlete's motivation directly affects his performance level. There are two influential parts of intrinsic motivation:



Photo by Art Farmer

Ed Blagdon and Liz White (Valentis co-owner) trained at Valentis for the physique competition at the 1990 Gay

The former is satisfaction derived from the activity itself. The latter is competing for other goals or rewards that may result from a good performance. The owners of Valentis agree that the bottom line is intrinsic motivation. Your fitness level is entirely dependent upon your level of dedication.

Valentis offers

The key to Valentis fitness club is it's focus on both the spiritual and physical aspects of a fitness program. The owners, Liz and Kimberly, assist patrons in their 'spiritual" fitness through the extensive use of an affirmation board with inspirational sayings. The staff is trained to provide assistance to patrons in developing their own individual "physical" fitness program.

Valentis is not a "high-tech" fitness club but considers the benefits of back-to-basics. It is a full service club and it's amenities include: indoor pool, jacuzzi, sauna, weight rooms, basketball, racquetball, and cycling. There is also a hair salon and massage therapist available.

Valentis wishes to be known for it's non-segmented clientele. As Kimberly, one of the owners says, "We all have to work together, let's all workout together too."

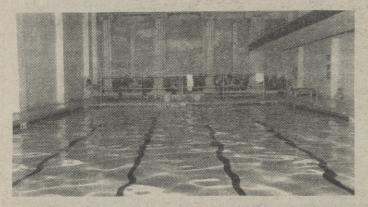


Photo by Art Farmer Valentis, a full-service club, houses a large indoor pool.

are missing out! The club is prevention of injuries. located at 921 11th Street in Sacramento and is making a very exercise for its' benefits in positive mark on the lives of the reducing stress and anxiety, people who are members there.

What is fitness?

program are many: redistribution enzyme that is useful in the

demanded for our bodies but for system. They also recommend our minds as well. If you have not exercise to help build muscle visited the downtown fitness tissue for increased strength and center called Valentis, then you to improve flexibility for the

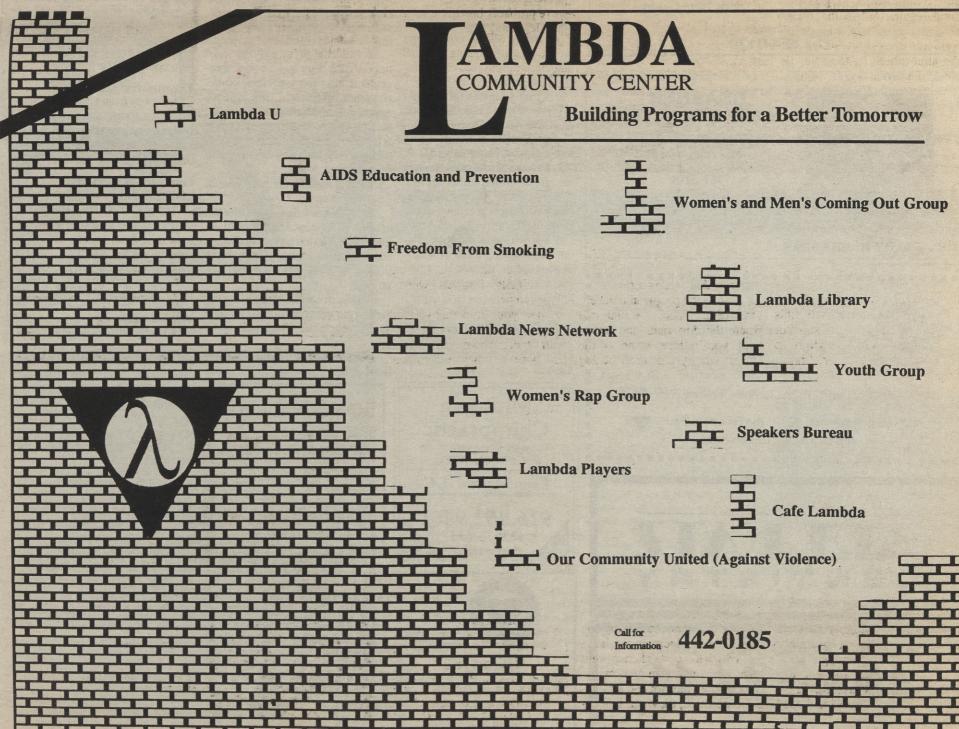
Psychologists recommend particularly importantly for those stressed out office managers. They also know that exercise The benefits of a fitness causes the production of an



Photo by Art Farmer

John Spangler and Mike Mello "pumping iron" at Valentis.





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Drive a green machine

by Raoul Anthony Renaud MGW AUTOMOTIVE EDITOR

Driving a car is not the kindest thing we can do for our environment, but let's face it, cars are a fact of life. So here are some tips on how to make your driving as earth-friendly as possible.

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A properly maintained car pollutes a lot less and uses fewer of our natural resources than a neglected one. It will also get and be more reliable, so it makes emissions warranty. sense to take care of these items:

Tire pressures: Check at least monthly with a gauge you auto supply store. Properly inflated tires roll easier, handle the glove compartment or door shame on you. Put it back. jamb, and if you can't find the recommended pressures 32 psi is knows that a clean car runs with fine for most vehicles.

Oil leaks: have any fluid drips fixed. While you might not think a minor drip could do much harm to the environment, multiply those few drops of oil on the ground by now many million cars on the road; we're looking at major amounts of oil washing off the streets and into the water supply.

Air conditioning: No, using your air conditioner does not hurt that extra weight around wastes the environment, as long as it's in gas! good repair. When the system has a leak it releases chlorofluorocarbons (CFC's) into the atmosphere, and this de- sary. As soon as you can, drive used up making them. pletes the ozone layer adding to off gently. Your engine pollutes

conditioner isn't cold, don't use it will make it warm up faster. until the leaks are fixed. Try to find a mechanic who has equipment that captures and recycles the old freon instead of releasing it into the air.

your car is under the 5-year/ thing. 50,000 mile limit, the repairs

correctly tuned, and change its when slowing to a stop use the filters at the recommended inter- brakes and step on the clutch just can buy for a few bucks at the vals. Check the air filter more before you come to a stop. When often - they often get fouled way you downshift to slow down before the scheduled service engine emissions increase drabetter, and last longer. Use the interval. If you removed pollu- matically and you wear out your pressures recommended in your tion control equipment from your clutch faster. The only exception owner's manual, on a sticker in engine to increase performance, is in hilly areas where using en-

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around in their cars that they don't need. Unload those bags of away until next winter. Hauling

Driving habits

Engine warm up: Not neces-

Traffic lights: Sacramento has some very long lights. Most people seem to race from red light to red light. What's the big hurry to get to the next red light? Worn engine: If your car Pace yourself so you arrive at uses more than a quart of engine the next intersection as the light oil every 1000 miles, there's turns green. On a route you something wrong. That oil is travel regularly you can learn the being burned in the engine and lights and see how many you can going out the tailpipe. This may or hit on the green. This saves gas, may not cause blue smoke. If brakes, transmissions, every-

Downshifting: Your brakes, better fuel mileage, last longer should be free under the federal not your clutch, are designed for slowing the car down. Downshift Tune-up: Keep your engine to accelerate if necessary, but gine braking is necessary to pre-Keep it clean: Everyone vent overheating the brakes.

> Smooth driving: Drive at as a smile, but there actually may be steady a speed as possible. It a reason for this. When the sur- takes some concentration but it's face is clean and smooth and worth it. If you vary your speed waxed, there is a lot less air drag. unnecessarily, you waste gas. Choose a sensible speed and hold Empty your trunk: It's amaz- it. Going faster won't get you ing how much junk people carry there more than a few minutes

> Cornering: Hard cornering cat litter and put the tire chains may be fun sometimes, but it grinds rubber off your tires. Where does all that ground up rubber go? I don't know, but we're probably breathing it. And the less often you have to replace tires, the less resources are

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thoughts on traveling with Rover reaction to the people and the encomes to people I deal with. and Kitty. Unfortunately, this vironment. Also, a social call When you know that you need may not be an option for some of where the dog visits and leaves to leave your pets home, check us and the next choice will be to with you relieves some of the with other pet owning friends and either board our pets or find a anxiety when you do drop the dog find out who they recommend. housesitter. Both options have off the next time. In the case of Your their advantages and disadvan- one Corgi that I owned that was store or pet shop is also a good tages. Here's some things to given to self-mutilation (gnawthink about when making your ing on a foot) when under stress, I

table boarding kennels available then overnight, prior to leaving to us in the Sacramento area. To find one that suits your needs, you may want to check out the did not feel threatened and surphone book and find one that is vived his stay with no problems. close to you. Call and let them tell In fact, he even looked forward you their requirements. My pol- to trips to the kennel when I had icy is to never leave my animals to leave town. anywhere that does not require that I show them my updated shot judge of how often I will use a records. If they don't want proof facility (and this often applies to of my pets' health, then they are vets and groomers, too) if my dog not too discriminating in terms of shows a real reluctance to visit, I the animals that they take in. I will switch to another kennel until also want to leave my pets in a I find one that my animals enjoy. place where they are willing to If an animal has not had a pleasadminister medication and feed ant experience, they will be anxmy choice of food if I furnish it. ious and upset as well as reluc-There may be an extra charge, but tant to visit again. Sometimes it is it is worth it not to upset my pets something as simple as a lack of more than I have to.

Last time out I shared my take my dog along to test its my animals' instincts when it made several casual visits and There are many reliable, reputhen left him for a few hours and him for a two-week period. As a result of gradual socialization he

I often let my animals be the time on the part of the operator

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healing are increased if the work of the healer is complemented by lectures and counseling aimed at giving the patient a greater awareness of his own mind/body/spirit tion in psychic development classes relationship. In such a case the conducted by the healers.) patient learns the role with his thoughts and emotions played in making him sick in the first place, and how his thoughts and emotions can supplement and enhance the work of the healer.

(d) Some patients definitely DO obtain the healing they seek. Many who do not obtain it, are better able to cope with the problems related to their illness.

(e) It would seem that the direct healer-to-patient relationship which prevails in the Philippines benefits and probably more last- discouraged. ing healing, than does a huge public Kate M. Lang, B.A. Parapsychology, healing service such as is sometimes conducted in the U.S.A. and

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contention it would appear that Camera the Filipino healers in general are unable to render substantial help to patients suffering from mental visits to the healers and participa-

9. The attempt to explain scientifically HOW the healer accomplishes a successful result is extremely difficult. No complete explanation is possible at our present level of scientific knowledge.

10. Paranormal healing activities of the Filipino healers perform a very useful service toward alleviating mankind's suffering. The further development of these techniques (minus the deception and sleight-of-hand) should very definitely be encouraged and may produce substantially greater should never be ridiculed and

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decision. The decision is not conor emotional illness. (We encounsistent with stands he's taken in tered two such patients because of the past - he's a better president nity interests and needs so the town, than that."

Lou reminisced about Tim. "He gave me an appreciation of Sacramento history. He helped me in learning about the Lesbian and Gay Alliance in Sacramento - he was helpful in introducing me to people in the community and on campus. Tim was still working at the AIDS Foundation and he was important in providing me with information and resources for the AIDS Advisory Committee at Sac State. He taught me about giving 110 percent - I was overwhelmed with his consistency - that he was always generating new ideas and sharing resources.

"He was quite a philosopher always dealing with the 'what ifs' - like 'what if we could turn these resources we've generated in fighting No on 69 and 102 into fighting the battle we've got instead of the battles we've already fought."

"He taught me we have to count on one another - that we have to share ideas," Camera said. Of his own style of leadership Camera said, "I feel as though I'm like a

ments together so the movie can lence and recognize it.' take place - but I'm not the direc-

to find out what's needed so we Enough people are issue oriented so we must not let personalities take over.

people are doing everything - we need more volunteers across dif-People have to realize that these are their issues. The folks that are more interesting came up. But agenda.

people who do produce by asking tant for people with other backthem to produce more - and often grounds to understand us. burn them out. We have to learn to respect a person who says 'no' and and lesbian just deals with sexualbe wary of those who say 'yes' and don't follow through.

the work that's done - that's what's cultural information to our own great about John Bachelor's col- community as well as the non-gay umn and the Flash column in MGW - people who are doing things get mentioned."

In talking about effective leadwork. We have the responsibility we've got to aim for."▼ to develop future leadership and

producer, I bring all of the ele- we should both expect excel-

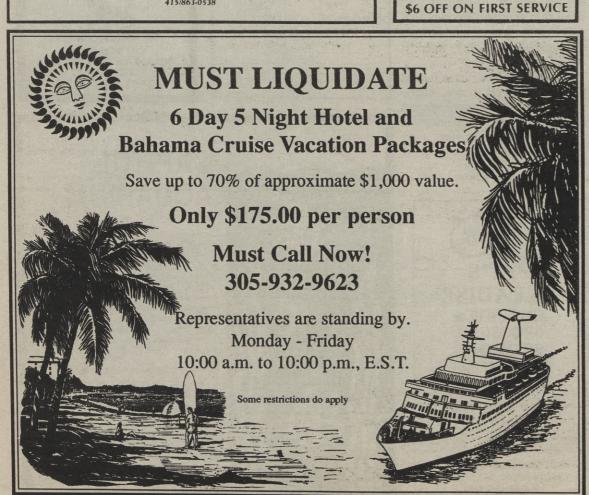
Lou says there is a book in his future. "I really want to do a book "We have to discover commu- on lesbian and gay leaders - collect what is important about our gown and grassroots communic culture. I get information about ties can work together. We have my Italian culture from my family - but we have no such mechanism can work on common goals rather for passing on our culture in this than let hidden agendas take over. community. We need data on our gay and lesbian culture and, like the Japanese, we need to seek out the 'Living Treasures,' who are "The big problem is that the same the creators and storehouses of

"Most of our community has selfferent lines to get the job done. esteem issues. Our high incidence of addictions to drugs and alcohol should serve as an example. In the juggling jobs, personal lives, and Department of Defense studies we involvement in three or four or- excelled over the non - gays in ganizations are not the people I'm every way except there. WE need talking about - it's the people who to transmit our culture so our people don't follow through that don't hand can come out with their self-esout the flyers or the information or teem intact. This book should be the condoms because something written so that our heterosexual counterparts can understand. It's you don't give up on people - you important to me to have an undercontinue to try to find the common standing of the African -American culture, the Native American "We tend to overburden the culture and so on. It is also impor-

"So many think that being gay ity - or even worse - just sex - and that's a misconception. The book "We also need to acknowledge should serve on both fronts - as community.

Lou expressed the great honor he feels as the recipient of the Tim Warford Award and had a final ership Camera says, "We have to thought, "We'll only work and win recognize those who do the work. when 51 percent of the population That's what leadership has to do - supports equal rights for everyone both give honest feedback and - not special rights or extra rights evaluation and praise for quality - just equal rights - that's what





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Pet talk

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tinue to use a service. a reliable housesitter will give the with behavior should arise. house a lived-in look which is One last caution, be sure to plan mail, newspapers, etc.

hire knows of any quirks or several months in advance. idiosyncrasies that may make your were gone, not only couldn't she as far as the go into the yard to get the dishes concerned.

for feeding, it took two people to lure the animal into his kennel so that she could take care of the for a referral. As a trainer I am second dog properly. This was a often asked for recommendations. situation where it would have Once you have some names, then been better to kennel the dog in research them for yourself. You the first place rather than leave have to make the ultimate deci- someone at risk. Fortunately the sion on the first visit your pet situation turned out okay as she may influence whether you con- had enough dog savvy to deal with the problem. It really helps For some of us, leaving the ani- to hire people who really do unmals in their own environment derstand canine behavior. The may work better. With my house- cats might just hide out, the dogs ful, a house sitter, someone who may be a real problem. Think of sleeps over and will be there reathese possibilities prior to maksonable hours in the evening and ing arrangements for your pets. night, assures that my dogs will Also, remember, whoever takes not be left outside to disturb the care of your pets will need deneighbors after dark. Sometimes tailed instructions on care, your a friend will volunteer and then requirements, habits of the anionly show up to feed and water. mals and emergency numbers. I This isn't enough; the animals have a number of clients who will need to know that someone is even give my name and number present and that they care. Also, so that I can assist if a problem

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Join thousands for THE 15TH ANNUAL LESBIAN & GAY SKI WEEK

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SAT., JAN. 25 — SAT., FEB. 1, 1992

• A LUXURY SKI LODGE (many of the rooms have jacuzzi & fireplaces).

Breakfast included daily. Special Ski Packages available. 7 day lodge rates start at \$499 (per person, plus tax). MAXIMUM 125 WOMEN. Payment plan

This 7 DAY WOMEN'S TRIP PROVIDES:

The First Women's International Tour Of

A ten day trip to: The Bush, The Beach, The Barbie, The Blue Mountains & The Bash -



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Fri. Feb. 21 — Mon. Mar. 2, 1992

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Including: FIRST CLASS HOTEL **ACCOMODATIONS & AIRFARE!**

Round trip to Sydney from LAX or San Francisco (Small surcharge will apply from other US or Canadian cities)

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FIVE STAR OCEANSIDE HOTEL! Located in Sydney on the South Pacific Ocean.

THE BUSH & THE BARBIE

- Private, elegant 500 acre COUNTRY RESORT for two nights. . with golf course, tennis, pool, and outback barbecue dinner. WE HAVE RESERVED THE ENTIRE RESORT.
- A visit to a magnificent beach where you can swim and play with kangaroos

THE BLUE MOUNTAINS

• A visit to The Grand Canyon of Australia

AND THE BASH

- GRAS . . . the most spectacular night-time Lesbian/Gay Parade in the world . . . followed by:
- THE CELEBRATION tens of thousands of lesbians and gays from all over the world attend the ALL NIGHT PARTY fabulous entertainment.

Full breakfast included daily. Travel in our air-conditioned Gayowned and operated charter bus . . . to the bush, the beach, the barble, the blue mountains, as well as to and from the airport.

SINGLES WELCOME! We facilitate room share arrangements upon request. SPACE LIMITED TO 125 WOMEN. '500 deposit will hold your place.

HAWAII FREE

You may visit Honolulu on your way home without incurring additional airfare charges!

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or Fax: 1-818-893-1593

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(Partial List) — Author, "The Ship That Sailed Into The Night — Sex & Intimacy Reconsidered" DEBORAH JOHNSON - Multi Culturalism & **Cultural Diversity PAULINE PFLANDLER** DEBRA REIN, M.A.

Maximum capacity: 3500 Women

We have paid positions for professional cooks — write ASAP!

For work exchange, write detailed letter re: skills & situation by July 20 and we will send work-exchange forms. Must be on land by Saturday, Aug. 24.

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THURSDAY, AUG. 29-SEPT. 2, 1991

Beautiful private wooded camp in the foothills of Yosemite. Gigantic Swimming Pool, lake, river.

Only 31/2 hours east of San Francisco. 61/2 hours north of Los Angeles.

TICKETS — 5-day Thurs.-Mon.; 4-day Fri.-Mon; 3-Day Sat.-Mon. CABIN - 150 cabin spaces available (no showers or toilets in cabin). Cabins hold 6-12 women

CHILDREN - 3-8, \$30; 9-16 yr. old women (& 9-10 boy) \$50 to help defray food costs. All children must be pre-registered for childcare by July 20th.

PAYMENT — U.S. currency only. NO PERSONAL CHECKS AFTER JULY 20th. Money order, certified check or cash only. For tickets send SELF-ADDRESSED, LEGAL SIZE, STAMPED ENVELOPE to: WCWMCF, 15842 CHASE ST., SEPULVEDA, CA 91343 (818) 893-4075 FAX: (818) 893-1593. Office hours: Mon.-Fri. 9am to 5pm PST.

PRICE INCLUDES: Music, comedy, crafts, sports, dancing, workshops, camping, food & fun! Showers & portable toilets provided. Everything within walking distance. Dances every night. Accessible to disabled women. Concerts interpreted for hearing impaired. Food and childcare provided (NO OVERNIGHT childcare. "POTTY-TRAINED" only); Boys under 10 welcome. There will be some Woman-Only space. NO PETS PERMITTED, except seeing-eye or hearing-impaired

WORKSHOPS & OPEN MIKE — If you wish to be listed in the program send a short description of your workshop or if you wish to play on day stage send a tape. Send these along with your ticket order by July 20th. Festival ENDS Monday, Sept. 2 at 3:00 p.m.

TICKET ORDER FORM: More than 1 person per envelope - use an extra stamp per person. At Gate, tickets (if available) top of scale plus \$15 - Cash only.

ADDRESS . PHONE . \$220-5 day RV (no hookups, includes 1 ticket)... ☐ Please send FULL COLOR BROCHURE \$200-\$205 (SS)-5 day cabin space \$180 - \$190 (SS)-5 day camping \$205 - 4 day RV (no hookups, includes 1 ticket) (Fri.-Mon.) 1991 Women's Thanksglving Cruise to the Mexican Riviera Nov. 23-30 \$175-\$185 (SS)-4 day cabin space (Fri.-Mon.).... If you use a MasterCard or Visa, there will be a \$5.00 surcharge added to each ticket.
YOU MAY CHARGE YOUR TICKET BY CALLING THE OFFICE OR FILL OUT THE FOLLOWING INFORMATION: \$160-\$170 (SS)-4 day camping (Fri-Mon.) \$25 additional workshift substitution..... \$40 per 3-8 year old child Please charge my ☐ MasterCard ☐ Visa \$140-\$150 (SS) very limited Sat, noon to Mon. Account #_ passes (camping only).....\$
(SS) – sliding scale TOTAL ENCLOSED\$ Expiration Date: _ How many children (12 and under, boys 10 and under) NEED INFORMATION FROM (before July 20 ONLY) Cardholder's name as it appears on card (please print) ☐ Disabled Resources ☐ Childcare

Ticket is INSURED and ONLY REFUNDABLE in the event the Festival is CANCELLED due to a COVERED "ACT OF GOD." [Fire, earthquake, etc.] ☐ I will distribute flyers. Please send ______ flyers. ☐ Check or Money Order enclosed (M/O only after July 20, 1991) Please make payable to W.C.W.M.C.F. U.S. funds only.

Authorized Signature

NOTE: All participants will be required to sign a Festival Liability Release Form.

Please add me to the mailing list & send information on (please check):

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□ 1992 Lesblan/Gay Ski Week — Aspen, Colorado (Jan. 25-Feb. 1) [Labor Day Weekend]
□ 1992 Australian Lesblan/Gay Mardi Gras Tour (Frl. Feb. 21 — Mon. Mar. 2) □ All Future Women's Cruises, National & International Tours.
□ Africa □ London □ Paris □ Amsterdam □ Israel □ Other

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Please fill in name/mailing info on ticket order form, EVEN IF YOU ARE NOT ORDERING WCWMCF TICKETS.